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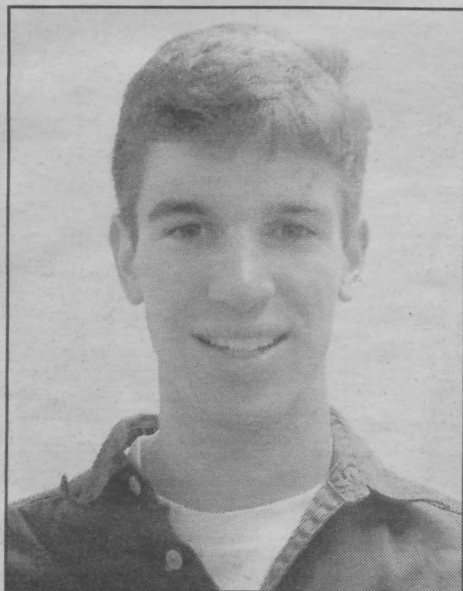
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## Candidates vie for Student Government presidency

Matt Rodrigue

Mitchell LaFortune



By Meredith Holt  
Staff Reporter

Matthew C. Rodrigue is a third-year electrical engineering and computer engineering double major from Farmington. He is currently president pro tempore of Student Senate and in his third term as a

senator.

"I definitely plan to continue my efforts in Student Government and working for the students," Rodrigue said. "Being president for Student Government is all about being an advocate for the student body."

Rodrigue is the student trustee on the University of Maine System board of trustees. He is a full-voting member of the board of trustees and can make resolutions, participate in discussions and serve on committees. As the student trustee, Rodrigue represents all seven UMS campuses.

"As a trustee of the system, I have that much more ability to go out and advocate for the students," Rodrigue said.

Rodrigue is president of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. His work toward a minor in business helped him improve SigEp's budget.

Rodrigue is a Senior Skull and a member of several honors societies. He recently was chosen for the Student Life Cabinet, a committee of student leaders who discuss student life issues with administrators.

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By Meredith Holt  
Staff Reporter

Mitchell LaFortune is a first-year English major from Damariscotta running for Student Government president.

"You can call it ambitious for a freshman to run for president, but we also have four years ahead of us to accomplish something," LaFortune said.

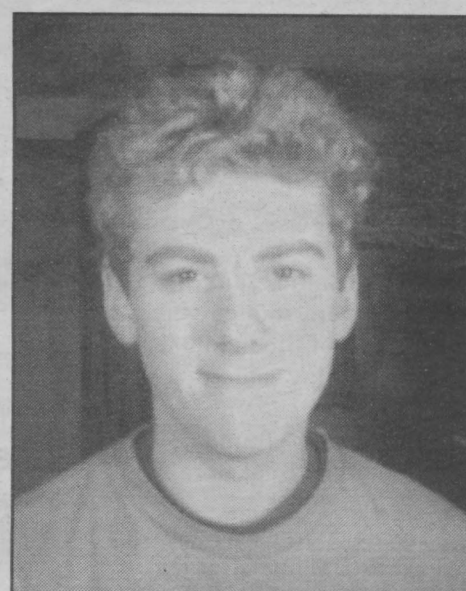
LaFortune cites involvement with his community as experience related to the position of Student Government president. He was involved in community theater and experimental theater projects.

"I learned a lot about teamwork and leadership," LaFortune said.

He was active in debate during his high school career. He also participated in Alliance Club Speakout and student government at Lincoln Academy in Newcastle.

"Student Government had a considerable amount of control over the school," LaFortune said. "I was always participating in discussions and debates."

Through Lincoln Academy's student



government, LaFortune worked to gain funding for theater, arts and music, more classroom space and a lower student-teacher ratio. He received a scholarship recognizing his public speaking abilities.

LaFortune helped organize and partici-

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## Vandals break into Chocolate Grille, leave the gas on

By Angela Flandaca  
Staff Reporter

The Chocolate Grille was burglarized Thursday, Nov. 21 with approximately \$6,000 worth of damage done to the restaurant.

Between the hours of 1:30 a.m., when employees left, and 5:00 a.m., when a janitor arrived, someone broke into the Old Town restaurant through a back window by throwing a large stone through it, accord-

ing to Officer Debbie Holmes of the Old Town Police Department.

A glass door at the back entrance, off the patio of the restaurant, was shattered with a large rock. The rock damaged a wall inside. Three computer monitors were destroyed and a register drawer containing \$300 was stolen. The damages amounted to about \$6,000, according to the community relations director for the restaurant, Julene Britt.

Prior to leaving the building, the suspect allegedly turned on the gas, according to Holmes.

"It makes you wonder what their intentions were in doing that," Holmes said. "Making that extra step to put the gas on is very concerning. It makes you really wonder about the person [who did this]. Something like that is extremely dangerous."

Britt said the crime was unfortunate considering how well the business has done in its

two years in the area.

"We hope they find the person that did this," Britt said. "We just feel it's a shame, because the city has worked so hard to bring us here and we try to do a lot for the community, so this just broke our hearts."

Despite the damages, Chocolate Grille reopened for business the same morning.

"We were lucky we didn't have to shut down for any amount of time," Britt said. "We were up and running by 11

a.m. We give a lot of credit to the employees who came in to clean up and who helped open the restaurant for business as usual."

Another broken window was found at Martin's convenience store, located about a quarter of a mile down the street from the Chocolate Grille. There was no theft at Martin's where an alarm system is installed. There is no evidence that these incidents are related, but it is a strong

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## Navy ROTC shares military experiences

By Kristin Sanders  
Staff Reporter

Members of the University of Maine's Navy ROTC bridged the generation gap with armed service veterans when they spent an afternoon visiting residents of the Bangor Veterans Home Wednesday, Nov. 20.

Members of the Navy ROTC helped celebrate resident's birthdays. The residents had a room full of guests from the ROTC, as well as plenty of treats and singers from the Sunshine Band.

ROTC attempts to visit the home close to Veterans Day

when they make their yearly visit, said Public Affairs Officer Keith Turner, a third-year political science major.

"I think it is important to come see them and carry on their traditions," Turner said. "I think it's a good experience and a way to say 'thank you' and brighten the day of the veterans."

Forest Wheelock, activities director for the home, said that once a month a birthday party is held and sponsored by service groups. Usually the groups have some military ties, including the

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An officer in the Navy ROTC program discusses today's service with two veterans at the Maine Veterans Home in Bangor. Cadets from the Navy ROTC program spent time talking to the veterans about their future plans and the veteran's past experiences.

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# Bookstore director plans to cut costs for students

## Store has plans to offer more local music

By Rick Redmond  
For The Maine Campus

This year, Bill Hockensmith, the new director of the University of Maine Bookstore, said he plans to lower the price of textbooks, help students get more money for their buy-back books and dedicate the music section solely to local artists.

When Hockensmith was presented with the opportunity to leave his rural Texas town to join the UMaine faculty, he jumped at the chance.

Hockensmith said he and his wife were smitten with the quaintness of life in Maine and the welcoming and enthusiastic faculty at UMaine. So, the Hockensmiths found a new home and the Bookstore found a new director.

Hockensmith began his career at UMaine after leaving West Texas A & M University as their bookstore director. Finding a sense of belonging in Maine was not a difficult task, according to Hockensmith.

"[Coming to] Maine was a great opportunity and a change we were looking for," Hockensmith said. "We felt the university had a distinct family environment where students were put before faculty, something hard to find in a large university."

While at Texas A & M, Hockensmith said he worked hard to keep costs down for students purchasing textbooks and helped develop the highest

book buy-back rate in the United States. That's something he said he is working on at UMaine.

Hockensmith believes the three most important things concerning students in a successful bookstore are the lowest possible cost for textbooks, fair buy-back prices and everything else comes third.

Early in the semester, Hockensmith said he circulated a memo to all of the colleges urging teachers to get their book orders in early for spring semester.

"Cooperation with the faculty has been phenomenal,"

**"More students are dropping out due to lower checkbook balances than lower GPAs."**

Hockensmith said. "At this point in the order process we are up nearly 70 percent from where we were last year."

Hockensmith credits the faculty for this jump in productivity and says the primary benefit to early textbook orders will be a greater availability of used textbooks and thus, lower textbook prices for students come Spring semester.

"Fifty dollars to some people is a night out at dinner,"

Hockensmith said. "If I can save students that much money, it's a week's worth of groceries to some."

Lowering the costs of textbooks is not an effort that lies solely in the hands of educators and faculty, Hockensmith said. An advisory committee consisting of students and staff has been initiated by Hockensmith in order to research and better serve the needs of students at UMaine. On the agenda for the advisory committee are programs to revamp the Bookstore's Web site, making it available for students who wish to purchase their books online in the future.

Aside from creating a more budget-savvy bookstore for patrons, Hockensmith said he and his staff also have been working to promote UMaine throughout the Bookstore. The glass display case near the front door showcases campus clubs and organizations that don't necessarily get much recognition.

Hockensmith has also begun developing a plan that will rid the audio section of all mainstream music groups in an effort to spotlight local talent.

"We simply don't have the space to dedicate to all the various types of music out there," Hockensmith said. "I'd rather give local groups the opportunity to get their name out there."

This plan came about not only because of space constraints, but also due to plunging music sales, according to Hockensmith.



CAMPUS PHOTO • JULIE ALTENHOFF

Bill Hockensmith, director of the Bookstore, poses with a stuffed UMaine Black Bear. He says the Bookstore plans to lower book prices and pay more for used books.

Hockensmith and his staff are excited about the impending buy-back season with hopes that students will notice the changes that have occurred.

"Students these days are really being priced out of their education. More students are dropping out due to lower checkbook balances than

lower GPA's," Hockensmith said.

Hockensmith and his team of nearly 50 full and part-time workers are ready and eager to begin the buy-back season. In addition to the regular staff, about a dozen temporary workers will be hired to assist students during peak textbook buy-backs and sales.

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# UMaine stamps out smoking for a day

By Angela Fiandaca  
Staff Reporter

The Counseling Center encouraged University of Maine students to kick the habit of smoking in recognition of the Great American Smokeout last Thursday.

"The Counseling Center is invested in promoting a healthy university environment. We work to empower people so that they can make healthier choices," said Michelle Olexa, clinical staff member and coordinator of Prevention and Education Services of the Counseling Center.

Many smokers are found on college campuses around the country and UMaine is no exception, according to Registered Nurse Lillian Zanchi of Cutler Health Center.

"Anything that encourages people as a group to quit smoking even for one day is good," Zanchi said. "People do better when they know they're not alone. It just brings it to every-

one's attention."

According to the American Cancer Society, more Americans die from cigarette-related health effects than from AIDS, suicide, alcohol or car accidents. Smoking-related diseases kill half of all smokers. More than 400,000 Americans are expected to die from tobacco use in the year 2002.

Smoking tends to be one of the most controversial issues in society because it is an acquired action, which means people make the choice to smoke, according to the ACS.

It also is the most preventable cause of premature death in the U.S.

Cigarette smoking is said to be more addictive than heroine or cocaine, according to Zanchi.

"It has detrimental effects of secondhand smoke and certainly to the smoker," Zanchi said. "There is a large addictive quality to nicotine that is very dangerous. It's very hard to quit once you've started."

Zanchi recently attended a



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conference. "Smoke-Free Colleges," presented by the ACS and Healthy Maine Partnerships of the State of Maine Bureau of Health.

"They are encouraging all campuses to be completely smoke-free inside and outside," Zanchi said. "It's a very big push right now to go after colleges in the state to see that they become as smoke free as possible."

The HMP offers a free hotline for anyone in Maine who wishes to quit smoking. The

hotline offers free online counseling, as well as free nicotine patches or nicotine gum for those needing financial support to quit smoking, according to Zanchi. The hotline phone number is (800)207-1230.

The most important aspect regarding smoking is for students to realize it is a very complicated dependence, according to Zanchi.

"It's really hard to quit cold turkey," Zanchi said. "It's like quitting any other drug, you need help," she said.

Cutler Health Center is available to provide one on one counseling and prescriptions for Zyban or other nicotine aids for smoking cessation.

"I think we should have [a Smokeout] every day, but at least that one day of the year it raises people's awareness of the issue," Zanchi said.

For more information, call UMaine's Counseling Center at 581-4145, Cutler Health Center at 581-4179 or visit the ACS's Web site at [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).

## Group wants tobacco money spent on prevention programs

### Lawsuit gives \$200 million to Fund for a Healthy Maine

By Abigail Curtis  
For The Maine Campus

What do new sprinklers for a golf course in New York, car factories in Alabama, a juvenile jail in California, a bailed-out economy in Wisconsin and shiny new tobacco-curing equipment for farmers in Virginia have in common? All were paid for out of the tobacco lawsuit settlements, according to reports in "Mother Jones" magazine.

Maine's own chunk of the settlement — over \$200 million so far — is too often considered free money by state legislators, especially as the economy worsens, Ed Miller for the American Lung Association of Maine said.

"We see this money as being an investment to the future health of the people of the state of Maine," Miller said. "Any effort to take this money and use it for other purposes is something we will oppose very strongly."

Miller recently evaluated

the spending of the settlement money, called the Fund for a Healthy Maine, and gave it a mixed diagnosis. According to Miller, while Maine's money is certainly not being plowed back into big tobacco, as is happening in some states, over one-third of it has been diverted to the state's general fund.

This is not what the money is for, Miller said.

"This is money that came from a lawsuit, not from taxes, and should be used for the purpose it was intended — improving the health of our families, friends and neighbors," he said.

The Maine Coalition on Smoking or Health released polling results in October showing that 85 percent of Maine citizens agree, and support using the money for only health-related purposes.

The Fund for a Healthy Maine was initially slated to spend 90 percent of the money on health programs, including smoking prevention, cessation and control, substance abuse

prevention and treatment, prescription drugs for the elderly, school health care, oral health care; and child care. The remaining 10 percent was to have been placed into a trust fund.

These health programs are funded by only 65 percent of the money. The remaining 35 percent — over \$70 million — has served as a second rainy day fund, which is worrisome, according to Miller.

"The total thing could be diverted into the Medicaid program without blinking an eye," Miller said.

In Maine, where smoking and other chronic, preventable health complaints take a high toll in health costs and lost lives, the prevention programs that the Fund for a Healthy Maine funds will pay for themselves eventually, Miller said.

Maine can look to California as a model for its tobacco prevention program. California's program, which predates the settlement, has cut smoking rates by 50 percent



since 1989. California estimates that it is more than breaking even on its investment, given reduced costs for lung cancer and other diseases, according to "Mother Jones" magazine.

Without such programs, six million American children will suffer premature deaths from smoking-related diseases, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"The thing we're most proud of is that the Fund for a Healthy Maine has been used

to set up 30 districts and 31 coalitions with their own treatment and prevention programs. This is a system that will change the culture in Maine when it comes to smoking and other preventable disease," Miller said.

According to Miller, one statistic indicative of our state and its relationship between poverty and smoking is that 40 percent of women on Medicaid smoke during their pregnancy in Maine, while only 10 percent of women not on Medicaid do.

"That's the biggest disparity that we know of in this country," Miller said.

He added that the programs the tobacco money pays for work to change these statistics.

Efforts to undermine these programs by more budget diversions won't be ignored, according to Miller.

"We'll fight them every step of the way," he said.

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# Lecture shows Maine's lobstering history

By Angela Fiandaca  
Staff Reporter

A compilation of video clips, facts and interviews with longtime Maine lobstermen and women were included in the University of Maine Lobster Institute's lecture, "In Their Own Words: A History of the Lobster Industry," held Tuesday at the Buchanan Alumni House.

"This is really a distilled version of a lot of different stories we chose from," Bob Bayer, director of the Lobster Institute, said. Bayer described the pur-

pose of the Lobster Institute, formed in 1987, as "research and education that is geared towards the survival of a way of life in the northeast."

Cathy Billings, assistant director of communication and development for the Lobster Institute, narrated the lecture and slideshow performance. Billings showed a timeline of the history of the lobster industry.

The first reported lobster catch was in 1605. At this time, lobsters were considered a poor man's food.

"Back then lobsters were so plentiful that you could walk down to the shore, pick them up and bring them home for dinner," Billings said.

Although Maine once was considered the "lobster state," the lobster industry first began in Connecticut and New York, then moved to Massachusetts and finally spread to Maine. The first lobster caught in Maine was in the late 1800s to early 1900s. During this time, no one ate soft shell lobsters because they were considered inedible while they shed during the summer, according to one Maine lobsterwoman.

When Maine lobsterman Robert Joyce first started lobstering in the 1920s at age eight, his first rowboat cost him \$1 and his first engine boat cost \$350. Boats now cost in the thousands of dollars, according to Billings.

Alison Bishop, a Maine lobsterman, first sold his lobsters for 38 cents per pound. "When lobsters got up to \$1.50 per pound that was something else," Bishop said.

According to Bishop, if past lobstermen saw how much lobsters are sold for now, "they would look at the boats and some of the catches and they'd almost lose their breaths."

Continuing the timeline, Billings said in the 1970s wire

mesh traps were used.

"They have pretty much taken over the industry," Billings said. "It's hard to find a fishery that uses wooden traps anymore."

The largest total U.S. lobster catch was in 1999 and weighed about 87.4 million pounds. The largest Maine lobster catch was in 2000 and weighed about 57.2 million pounds. This catch amounted to about \$187 million, according to Billings. These statistics illustrate the extensive growth of the lobster industry.

"Fishing is really a year-round business now," Billings said.

"The changes in the boats and the equipment on the boats were the most significant changes they had seen," Billings said.

As for the amount of lobsters left in the ocean, the numbers have increased and decreased over the years.

"There are lots of lobsters out there, lots of females and lots of juveniles. So we will just have to wait and see how the catch is," Billings said.

There are presently 144 lobstering communities in Maine. These include 3,500 full-time and 2,000 part-time men and women employed throughout the industry. There are more than 5,000 licensed commercial harvesters and 2,000 non-com-

mercial harvesters in Maine.

The lobstermen and women described lobstering as not only an occupation, but as a way of life they truly love.

"I loved it then. I've loved it all my life. I'm still going today, I'm 85. As far as I'm concerned, there's nothing else I'd rather do," Joyce said.

"It's a life I can't tell you about," Maine lobsterman Ralph Mailing said. "I get up early before dawn, get in the truck and put the bait on ... And I know I'm going to have a good day."

"Once I started, it just became such an important part of my life and has remained so for over 30 years," Maine lobsterwoman Jean Symonds said.

"These fishermen always have these tremendous stories. [We wanted to] make sure these terrific anecdotes and stories are captured before it's too late," Billings said.

The Lobster Institute is currently obtaining more interviews with lobstermen and women in Maine and hope to someday travel throughout New England in search of more lobstering stories.

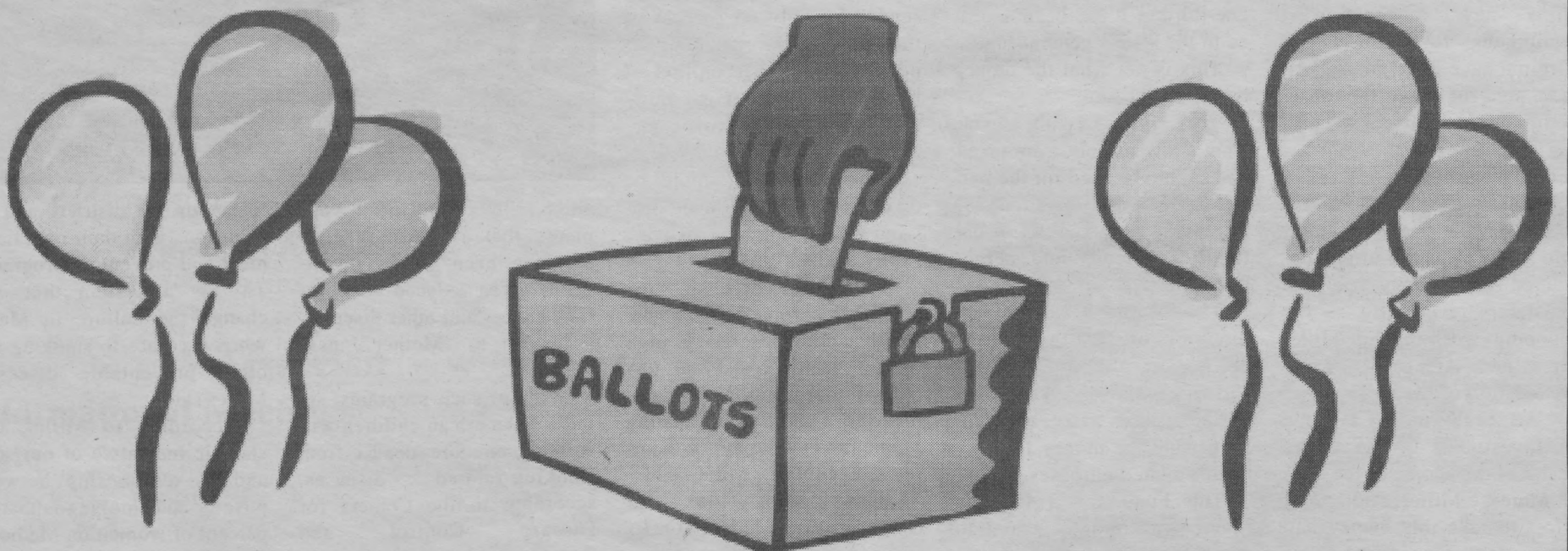
UMaine's School of Marine Sciences also sponsored the lecture. For more information or to submit a name of a Maine lobsterman or woman, contact the Lobster Institute at 581-1443.



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Kathy Billings, UMaine Alumni and Assistant Director of the Lobster Institute, speaks at the Buchanan Alumni House about the history of the lobster industry in Maine.

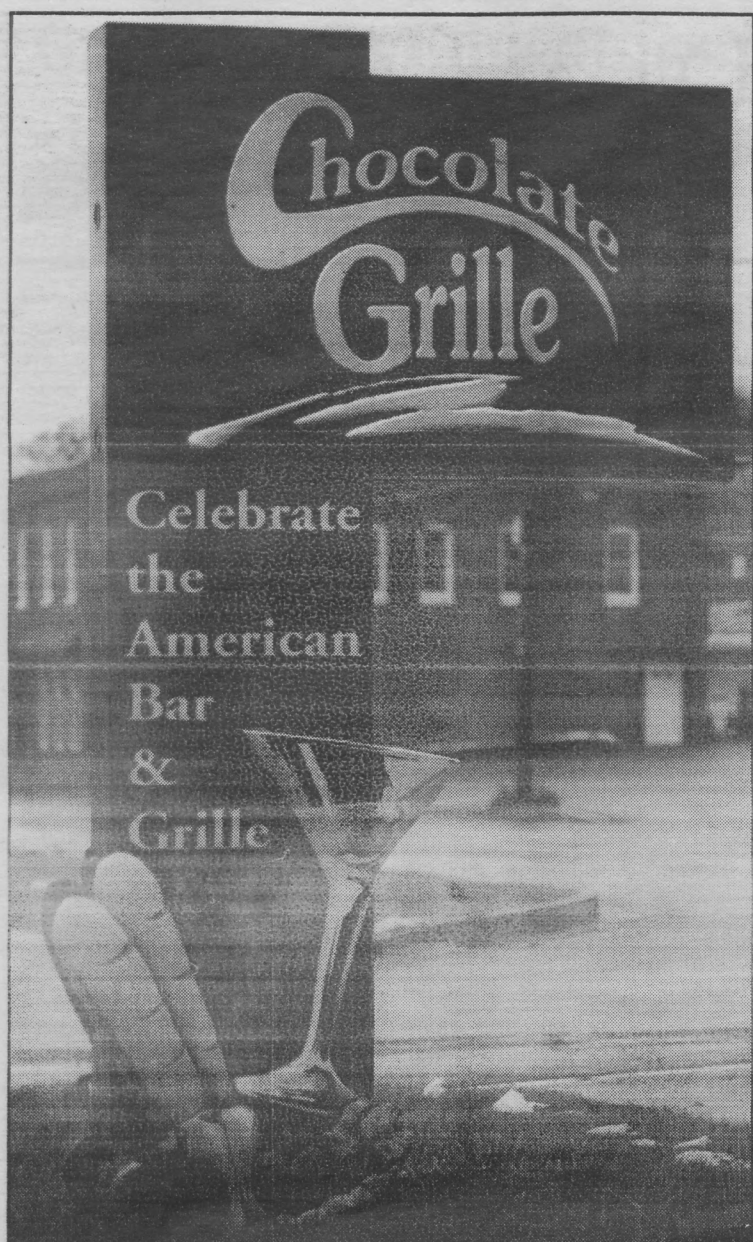
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The Chocolate Grille, an Old Town restaurant, was vandalized Thursday. The vandals did approximately \$6,000 in damage to the restaurant and left the gas on.

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possibility, according to Holmes.

Business will continue as usual during the investigation at the Chocolate Grille.

"We've already moved on and it's just unfortunate that this had to happen," Britt said.

"We're just going to keep going. It's just a terrible thing that happened, but you don't let it get the best of you."

There are suspects in association with the burglary and the case is under investigation, according to Holmes.

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VFW or Purple Heart.

The groups give the birthday residents with a present and a personalized card. Wheelock said residents are sometimes forgotten by the community.

He said it is great to have ROTC members visit and provide community contact for the veterans.

"[Members of ROTC] come speak with residences about their times in the military," Wheelock said. "These people are part of history and have many great stories."

ROTC member Brain Gervais, a second-year computer science major, said he enjoys the camaraderie between the

older veterans and the younger members of the Naval ROTC.

"There is knowledge of the past," Gervais said. "We learn about our history and where we came from."

Matthew Edwards, assistant professor of Naval Studies, said it's interesting to hear stories from World War II. He said that the Navy wants to instill a sense of community and to have its members be good citizens.

"It's real interesting to read history and meet the people [that were] on the ships that you have read about," Edwards said. "It's important to come and visit the older generation as signs of respect and tribute."

# Panel discusses distance learning

By Ryan Clark  
For The Maine Campus

A panel discussion concerning the possibilities of cyberspace as a comfortable medium for women to learn and share their experiences was held Tuesday as a part of the Women

opinion or sharing past experiences.

"I think that this medium lends itself to women's topics," Klein said. "It allows people around the world to see and interact with each other on this subject. I feel that distance learning is a great asset to

The books have been translated for those who do not speak French but are still interested in taking the course.

To give participants an idea of what the reading material is for the class, Cote-Robbins provided display boards containing course literature.

Toner then took over to give facts about distance learning within the state of Maine. According to her fact sheet, 75 percent of distance-learning students in Maine are women. Of these women, the average age is 35.

Toner talked about the relationship between students and teachers in distance learning classes.

She said she attempts to make the line between teacher and student as invisible as possible. Outside of the grading process, she feels this allows students to be more comfortable when asking questions, whether it be in the virtual classroom or through e-mail on FirstClass.

The final speaker was vonHerrich.

"I went to college right after high school, but like so many women who were in college at the same time I was, something came up which caused us not to finish," vonHerrich said. "The advice I would give to someone trying to do this is to have confidence, courage and not be afraid of distance education. Sometimes it can be overwhelming and it is a lot of work, but there is a lot of support from people who are also in the class with you and it also gives you a chance to learn something from others."

## LECTURE corner

In the Curriculum and Women's Studies Program Lunch Series.

The discussion, "Women's Studies Everywhere: Faculty and Students Talk about Distance Learning," was held in the South Bangor Lounge of Memorial Union and featured four panelists.

Panel guests consisted of Women's Studies professors Renate Klein, Rhea Cote-Robbins and Carol Toner, as well as Phyllis vonHerrich, a graduate of the Women's Studies Distance Learning Program.

More than 40 students and faculty attended the discussion.

Klein told participants about her class, "Conflict and Violence," CHF 404, which deals with topics ranging from psychology to anthropology.

Questions in the class are displayed through a message board on FirstClass which Klein said allows students to ask questions, but also learn from their peers without feeling nervous about giving their

women's studies."

Cote-Robbins followed Klein and discussed her course, which deals with Franco-American women and their influences, not only on Maine culture but the Northeast culture as well.

According to Cote-Robbins, there are four to seven million Franco-Americans within the northeastern United States.

She explained that her class is "designed to be a literary road trip."

She also said that prominent writers in Canadian literature have their houses marked as tourist sites, which allows visitors to get a sense of what that person may have felt while writing.

Some of the books mentioned were written in French and have received various awards. One of the novels, "La Sagonine" by Antonine Maillet, won the Prix Goncourt, an award in France given to the best novel written in French that provides verbal insight to the culture.

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He ran varsity cross country for the Black Bears who were this year's America East Runners-up. Last year Rodrigue spent 300 hours coaching cross country running at Orono High School. He also coached this fall.

"It's tough to motivate teenagers to run long and run fast," Rodrigue said. "[The] 300 hours had a tremendous impact on who I am as a person. [It] really showed me the value of giving back."

He emphasized the importance of working with faculty and administrators in order to make effective change.

"Having the relationship already developed with senators and administrators will really make a difference in leadership," Rodrigue said. "I have a keen understanding of

where Student Government fits in the university."

If elected, Rodrigue will donate the entire \$3,000 Student Government president stipend to a scholarship fund for UMaine students. He plans to name the fund after someone who has had a large impact on his life.

"I'm not doing this for the money or for the title, I'm doing this to give something back to the students," Rodrigue said. "It's a sign that I really want to work for the students and that's what this is all about."

His platform focuses on continuing past efforts. He would like to increase energy conservation on campus by working with the Sustainability Office. He plans to hold forums on energy use, focusing on problems with heating. He also plans to hold forums on

parking and lighting to generate ideas for possible solutions.

Rodrigue wants to improve the relationship between Student Government and clubs, creating a more efficient relationship so clubs can have better access to funds. He chairs the ad-hoc Committee on Clubs.

"Within our Student Government right now, there are some changes that need to be made," Rodrigue said. "I'm willing to make them and I have the support of the people who are there already."

He also wants to streamline Student Entertainment. He said he wants Bumstock to be the primary entertainment event of the year. He would like to hold events that promote traditionalism and class spirit, particularly more events for Homecoming Weekend.

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pated in several walk-a-thons and taught Spanish to students in third and fourth grades. He traveled to schools with a percussion group to teach children to play basic rhythms on instruments and some modern dance.

LaFortune's platform focuses on greater student representation and involvement. If elected, he plans to create a new committee called "Student Voice." It would consist of clubs, organizations, fraternities and undergraduate residents.

LaFortune and vice presidential candidate Matthew Lafond conducted a poll of 120 students and found that 33 percent hadn't heard of Student Government and 50 percent weren't aware of its accomplishments.

"There's been no representation [of students] except for the senate to the school's administration," LaFortune said.

He said the Student Voice committee would address issues

such as student entertainment and campus dining. He would like students to select menu items at the dining commons. He wants to lower prices at the Maine Marketplace and allow meals to roll over from week to week. At the end of the semester, he wants the value of meal credits to transfer to dining funds and unused credit to be refunded.

"Sometimes you can't eat lunch, or you can eat lunch, but you don't have any meals left," LaFortune said.

LaFortune wants to change the way General Student Senate meetings are run. He wants to implement "Equal Say" meetings of GSS in which the entire session would be open to all students. He would allow all students to vote on certain resolutions, especially large financial resolutions.

"It could be a free fall of ideas," LaFortune said.

"Open Door Week" would be

a time for students to meet with Student Government representatives to discuss their ideas and concerns.

Another platform issue for LaFortune is parking. He plans to create a legal petition of 2,000 students who have received parking tickets.

LaFortune cited the length of time it is taking to find a solution to the parking problems on campus as his primary motivation.

"That's the sad thing about it, it's taken this long to fix it," LaFortune said. "We want this process to go as quickly as possible."

Controversy has surrounded this platform plank because some students perceive it as a plan to sue the school through Student Government.

"We're not going to sue the school," LaFortune said. "We're just making sure we have a legal petition."

# Reynolds drops out of VP race

Scott Reynolds withdrew his candidacy from the race for vice president of Student Government Friday.

Reynolds, an electrical engineering major and current vice president of Residents on Campus, said he is putting his support behind the incumbent Matthew Gagnon in the election.

"I thought the votes were divided between Matt Gagnon and I, and I was afraid the freshman [candidate was] going to get

more votes," Reynolds said.

Reynolds believes the freshmen running for the president and vice president positions, Mitchell LaFortune and Matthew Lafond, respectively, are not experienced enough to take on the job.

"I don't think they understand the time commitment involved," he said. "It's a 40 hour a week job."

Reynolds believes Gagnon will work to improve student

government, while the opposition is focusing on changing student government.

"[LaFortune and Lafond] want to restructure student government from what it is now and thin out what little resources we currently have," Reynolds said in an e-mail posted on FirstClass Saturday.

The remaining candidates for vice president are Gagnon, LaFortune and Bryan Kaenrath.

Compiled from staff reports.

## LEGAL Affairs



Attorneys David R. Miller and Ted Curtis

Q: Last weekend I was charged with a crime. I know I broke the law, but not the serious one charged. I will admit to what I actually did. I want to talk to the district attorney about this myself. How does that work?

A: You are proposing to negotiate a plea with the district attorney's office. You can propose to plea to a different charge, a different punishment, or that one or more of the charges be dropped. If you and the district attorney can agree upon the ultimate disposition of your case, you have both achieved certainty and streamlined your progress toward a resolution.

Proceeding without an attorney is "pro se," a Latin phrase. You should consider consulting a lawyer prior to proceeding pro se. If you have been charged with a serious crime, if you are concerned about the implications of having the crime or violation on your record, if you have any questions or are experiencing any doubts, consult a lawyer first.

Penobscot County District Attorney R. Christopher Almy has scheduled hours when pro se defendants can discuss their cases. They are Tuesday, 3 - 4 p.m. and Friday from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. The Penobscot County District Attorney's Office is located at 97 Hammond St. in Bangor, below and behind the Superior Courthouse. The telephone number is 942-8552.

Be mindful of how you present yourself, both in appearance and in attitude. Looking and smelling like last night's festivities does not lend credence to your statement that you don't "party." On the other hand, you don't have to wear a three-piece suit. Don't blame the police if you have committed a transgression. Be prepared to explain why the disposition that you propose provides a just resolution to the matter. Admitting that you committed a crime or crimes while arguing that you should not be punished is not very effective. When you present the facts of the incident that gave rise to the charges, keep your discussion accurate and relevant. It is entirely appropriate to discuss "mitigating circumstances" with the district attorney. Mitigating circumstances are facts or beliefs in existence at the time of the alleged violation that may help explain why you acted in the way that you did.

If the district attorney understands the circumstances surrounding the incident, they may reconsid-

er the appropriateness of a particular charge or punishment. We also suggest that you discuss what you have done with your life to benefit society.

If you plan to plead guilty, professing genuine acceptance of responsibility and remorse for your bad behavior assists the district attorney in gauging what punishment to propose to the judge. The law regards intensified punishment as an appropriate measure to deter future bad behavior by a recalcitrant offender. If you do not feel remorse, it is not advisable to fake it. If you simply cannot accept responsibility, you should still consider having a trial, and you should certainly discuss the matter with an attorney as soon as possible.

Are you a person who has made one bad choice and was unlucky enough to get caught, or is your criminal record a resume that would make Tony Soprano proud? If you have no prior criminal record, or a very minimal record, say so. If you have any significant or related prior record, be prepared to discuss it. If you have little or no prior record, you can usually expect your negotiations to yield more favorable results.

If you have engaged in illegal behavior involving drinking, drugs, or violence, consider obtaining counseling. You may have a problem for which you require assistance, for your own health and the well being of others. In addition, counseling tells the district attorney that you are taking the matter seriously.

Explain the effect of a conviction on your ability to be a productive citizen in the future. Will it limit your ability to contribute to your greatest potential? For example, a conviction for a drug offense will adversely affect your eligibility for federal financial aid, making it difficult to get an education. Or, if you want to be a teacher, a criminal conviction can be very harmful to your future career. On the other hand, be realistic. If this is your fourth drug charge, you can expect the district attorney to question not only your commitment to being a teacher, but also society's desire to have you teaching children.

If you are arrested or summonsed, enter the process with faith that justice can be done. If you and the district attorney cannot arrive at an agreed-upon disposition, you can exercise your right to trial and have a judge or jury decide the matter. In any criminal matter, the government has the burden of proving your guilt beyond a reasonable doubt. And remember: consult a lawyer before proceeding pro se!

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## Greek Peer Educators show drinking dangers

By Angela Fiandaca  
Staff Reporter

The Greek Peer Educators are developing ways to educate students on the topics of alcohol and drug use through both fun and serious discussions.

The Greek Peer Educators hosted the workshop, "Class Kegger," at Androscoggin Hall Thursday, Nov. 21, for resident members.

"The point of the workshop is just to teach people to take care of themselves and their friends. It's to recognize behavior before it escalates," Lindsey Delia, an Alpha Phi sister, said. "It's to educate people, but not to preach to them. We're saying if you're going to do it, then drink responsibly."

The "Class Kegger" portrayed a mock party scene that incorporated various stereotypes seen at a college party. Students participated in the workshop by acting out the stereotypes in order to promote straying from those situations.

One character is a student passing out candy, which represents the person at a real party who is a drug dealer. Another character is a student standing in the corner, or the person who has passed out at a real party, according to James Jalbert, a Sigma Nu brother.

"This workshop reiterates something we already know and puts it in a fun and informative program," Mitchell Lafortune, a participant and first-year student, said. "It shows you can go to a party and have fun, but drink responsibly."

The main theme of the workshop was to break stereotypes and promote responsible action, according to the Greek Peer Educators.

"It's really important for me to try to break that stereotype of all Greek members partying and to do that through providing educational programs," Alex Arroyo, a Sigma Phi Epsilon brother, said.

"We want to teach that you can be cool and still be responsible about it," Jalbert said. "We just want to provide students with a broader perspective regarding alcohol use."

The Greek Peer Educators also provide the workshop "Liquor, Lust and the Law," facilitated by Sandy Caron. In addition, the group participated in the Great American Smokeout and National Drinkout Week.

Greek Peer Education is offered as a class for Greek Life members. "With the information we learn, we are supposed to relay those messages back to our brothers and sisters," Jalbert said.

## Those crazy kids



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Members of the Audubon Expedition Institute in Belfast put on a presentation about sustainable living in front of Memorial Union Thursday afternoon. Students at the institute practice sustainable living lifestyles — living in a zero energy house among other things. Audience members were encouraged to "sculpt" people as an explanation of a word that was held up by AEI faculty member, Brad Davis. University of Maine student Sarah Brasslet explains what "living in balance" means to her after "sculpting" — an "end to the patriarchal community with no hierarchy and everyone at the same level."

## THE WORLD BEYOND UMAINE

### Reservists would be needed for U.S. war with Iraq

If the United States goes to war with Iraq, a large part of the military burden will be shouldered by civilians.

By the tens of thousands they will leave their jobs and families to serve with the U.S. military for as long as they're needed, which in some cases might mean a year, or possibly two, away from home.

Though some call them "the new draft," they are not conscripts but civilian volunteers — members of the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine and Coast Guard Reserves, and the National Guard and Air National Guard. Today, America cannot wage a major war without them.

The Pentagon refocused attention on the near-certainty of a large call-up Tuesday. Thomas Hall, assistant secretary of defense for reserve affairs, said some Guard and Reserve members might get advance notice of mobilization.

"We're looking at a full range of options," he said.

Though they normally lead civilian lives, the declining strength of the active duty military, the increased demands for an American military presence around the world and the war on terrorism have dramatically increased Reservists' roles

in defending the nation.

The National Guard is a state militia, under the command of a local governor unless federalized. Reserve units are adjuncts to active duty service branches, providing additional manpower when needed.

### Tanker sinks in Spain, one million gallons of oil spilled

As a crippled tanker full of about 20 million gallons of fuel oil split in two and sank two miles beneath the Atlantic's surface Tuesday, experts feared the worst. Oil bubbling back to the surface befouls Spanish and Portuguese shorelines, their fish and wildlife, and maybe even Mediterranean beaches.

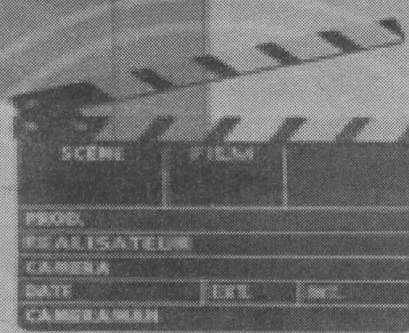
Stormy conditions, which broke up the crippled tanker, Prestige, 150 miles off Spain's northwestern coast, along with the unusual thickness of the oil and extreme pressure on the ocean floor, threaten the worst oil spill in more than a decade, said the U.S. government's top oil spill response official.

About one million gallons of oil spilled instantly when the ship broke in two, spawning an oil slick of about 2,200 square miles — about twice the size of Rhode Island.

Spanish beaches already are mired in oil from a spill last week, their sea birds covered in sludge.

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## EDITORIAL

### Dec. 2 elections vital to UMaine

There are several issues that need to be addressed by Student Government this year. When it comes time to vote Dec. 2, we as students need to keep certain things in mind when selecting a candidate. After all, the elected parties will be the voice of the student body, and we need to be certain that voice will get things done.

First off, we feel that it is important to have a candidate that is a leader on campus and has close-knit relationship with the faculty members and administration — to ensure that the students will be properly represented when it comes to significant financial decisions. We also need a candidate who has experience with the inner-workings of Student Government, and more importantly, the university as a whole.

When choosing a candidate next Monday, we should consider selflessness as a quality, and choose someone who has student interests in mind, rather than just another title to put on their resume at the end of their college career. The candidate should be aware of the clubs on campus and help them work to strengthen funding and interest.

It is imperative that whomever is elected have the ability to effectively work with Student Entertainment, as well as Campus Activities Board, with the sole purpose of providing students with quality entertainment — all rivalries aside.

Other issues that have been a continuous struggle for students and need to be addressed are parking and lighting on campus. We need the kind of candidate who will support student needs 100 percent and will not be swayed by the interests of the administration.

Remember, whoever's name you mark off on the ballot next week is the person who will be representing your best interests and concerns — so be sure to make the right decision, and take a stance for the sake of the student body and our school.



## Time to start worrying

### Our future and the tightening hand of our government

The biggest news from Washington since the midterm elections has been the passage of the Homeland Security bill. Yet a perusal of the newspaper past the front-page headlines, reading the more buried stories, leaves me thinking about how secure I really feel.

While our two conservative-led branches of government passed the Homeland Security bill, intending to keep America's "homelands" safe, I am left feeling very insecure about the future our government is creating for me, my health, my environment and my future job prospects.

The bill consolidates 22 different agencies and 177,000 employees to create the new Homeland Security Department. Sounds like a plan, right? Until you load it with special interest favors and slacken workers'

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rights for many of those government employees. This is the perfect example of the type of security the government will be providing for America: security for the big and powerful, while the average citizen's security diminishes.

While Congress has been patting themselves on the back for moving this piece of legislation through both the House and Senate, they failed to look at a more immediate bill. The session adjourned for the rest of the year last week, for members of Congress to celebrate the holidays;

However many Americans will not be celebrating such a happy holiday, as Congress failed to vote on extending unemployment benefits to nearly one million unemployed, letting their supplements run out through the Christmas season. What holiday spirit.

What about that the fact that the government is doing nothing to help these people get and keep the jobs they need to support themselves? What about the government catering to corporations fleeing the country for cheap labor and tax breaks?

And what is this doing for those loyal campaign-contributing corporations that keep their production inside the country? Just in time for a big thank you for mid-term elections money, the administration loosened environmental regulations  
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## Letters to the Editor

### •More pictures

I was a photographer alongside Jason Cannif, Caleb Raynor and the likes of other good people at *The Maine Campus* only a couple of years ago. We stood together and fought to ensure that readers could expect *The Maine Campus* to be sitting on newsstands across campus and in Orono.

It appears that many of my for-

mer colleagues are no longer with the paper. I too have since moved on to a publication in northeast Ohio called the *Tribune Chronicle*: circulation indeterminable at this time as things seem to be on the decline.

I look up *The Maine Campus* on-line from time to time to see what is new in Orono and because I miss the good times I had as a

Mainer. I am still passionate about pictures and not just because my current profession requires that I be.

I think it is beneficial for any publication to use pictures often and well. I think people need to see a face to know that there is someone behind or part of the story. Otherwise the publication won't reach out. It just feels cold and

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## Where's the tradition?

### Reclaiming America's past

MIKE  
HARTWELL



FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

It's almost the time of year when my mom pulls a stuffed bird carcass from the oven. This has always been an important part of my Thanksgiving tradition. I've noticed a new yearly tradition that's been happening about a week before Thanksgiving. I'll be in a public place when some self-righteous beardo, complete with a hemp necklace starts pushing pamphlets at me.

Apparently, before we get to eat our Thanksgiving turkeys, someone has to kill them. Also, meat tends to contain a higher amount of fat than vegetables, so the only logical solution is to eat a pseudo-turkey made from soy.

First of, all these are the same people that spray painted anti-war slogans on street signs.

Even with my Republican brothers in control of the nation, I can feel our traditions being swept under the rug. Kids are growing up with fake Christmas trees and plastic Easter eggs. You can take the turkey out of your Thanksgiving, but don't forget that without meat, your limbs can become atrophied from a lack of protein.

It's not cool to celebrate Columbus Day anymore. Some politically correct genius discovered that someone from the past didn't follow a moral code erected 500 years after his or her death. Also, newly revealed documents suggest that Spain only sent Columbus in order to make a profit from the voyage.

As if it isn't bad enough that vegans push their beliefs onto other people and disrespect their culture, they make vegan dog food. Maybe they're concerned that their canine-American companion has been putting on the pounds, which happens very easily when they have an owner too baked to walk them.

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## Worrying

on industrial air pollution to help corporations save more money, while the future of our clean air supply continues to be in jeopardy.

This past Friday, an assistant administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency made the announcement, as the president was out of the country, in a briefing with no cameras allowed. The slackened rules will allow companies to make improvements to their factories without necessarily lowering emissions, and perhaps even increasing them. Another provision of the changes to the New Source Review program will allow plants with multiple smokestacks to work on cleaning one emissions source while letting the others continue to pollute and get dirtier as long as their is a total emissions decline, according to an article in The New York Times. This rule will benefit specifically pharmaceutical manufacturers, semiconductor factories and automobile plants, while other rule changes benefited specifically oil refineries.

When I graduate and no longer fall under my parents coverage I worry about not only finding a job, but finding a job that will actually cover me if I should get sick or even want a routine physical. In all its progress to provide security to the American people, our national government is making no strides toward

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national universal health care coverage. This ranks us with unindustrialized and underdeveloped countries in health care standards because our government can't stand up to two of the biggest industries in the country — pharmaceutical and insurance companies.

So yes, we may in the next few years have a new bureaucracy to protect our "homeland" against the rest of the world, but this leaves regular, non-corporate Americans like myself battling against the very government that is supposed to protect me. Facing a future of uncertainty as to the state of my environment, health and own employment, I want a government that stops creating more laws and departments against its citizens and instead starts protecting us from the dangers that lurk in our very own homeland — the corporations.

We need a government that will create tough laws for corporations where the real criminals commit crimes against humanity. These businesses will not stop robbing us of jobs or destroying our environment unless someone stands up to them. Will we ever see a government dictated by its citizens instead of money? In any case, one can dream.

*Catie Joyce is a senior English major.*

## Tradition

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Let me make this perfectly clear: people aren't unhealthy because of what they eat. No, Johnny Porkchop, don't bellow out in victory just yet, I'm not trying to defend you. The self-righteous hams of our nation can point their thick fingers at all the "metabolism problems" and "rare inherited conditions" they want, but it's the callous-free hands and the butter stains on their many chins that betrayed them, not meat. You can unhappily munch on soy turkey if it makes you feel better, but as long as you take the elevator to the second floor, you're still going to attract dirty looks from buffet owners.

It's the lack of eating unhealthy foods in moderation that causes obesity. You can eat all of the turkey you want this year. You can have strawberry cheesecake — one piece contains more saturated fat than you're supposed to have in a

day — and engage in a big turkey-induced nap when you're done. This behavior is fine, just as long as it doesn't become a habit.

We have traditions to acknowledge our past and to show respect for those who came before us. Most holiday traditions, with the exception of Yom Kippur, are fun. That's why they're holidays. Traditions are not supposed to be changed, that's what a tradition is. The people who made traditions knew what they were doing.

Don't think because we live in modern times that we're smarter than they were. They had to fight and persevere for the position to make a tradition. They earned the right to say what goes on the table. Listen to them.

This year, I want everyone to shut their pumpkin-pie holes and enjoy a great holiday.

*Mike Hartwell is a freshman journalism major.*

## Letters

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uninviting. Photographer Sam Abell once said, "As I have practiced it, photography produces pleasure by simplicity. I see something special and show it to the camera. A picture is produced. The moment is held until someone sees it. Then it is theirs. Photography, alone of the arts, seems perfected to serve the desire humans have for a moment — this very moment — to stay."

I hope *The Maine Campus* continues to thrive on the passions of young people who want to do a good job and produce a good pub-

lication as a whole. The way it was when I was there — Lord knows we will never get rich doing it. Please show me pictures on the front page of the Web site. I want to see what the up-and-coming photographers are doing for *The Maine Campus*. As Ansel Adams would say: "Not everybody trusts a painting but people believe photographs."

**Mark W. Lipczynski**  
UMaine class of '01  
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Tribune Chronicle

# Where does it end?

## Allegations against the President

ANTHONY  
LAPLUME

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Technically there is, it's just very admirable stability. They have this funny hang-up about fear and superstition there that prevents immediate progress from sticking, and Gore believes, along with some other unreasonable citizens, that Bush has dropped the ball in handling this nation since the War on Terrorism became the war on teriyaki chicken, or Bush's nickname for Saddam Hussein. Bush's sole interest on this new war campaign is oil, right? Clearly we haven't been gunning for this guy for the past decade or so, since Clinton never bothered with this guy, right? He didn't order any air strikes over Baghdad, did he?

Another of Bush's great mistakes is the Homeland Security bill. Low and behold, what is this act facing in America? That's right, fear and superstition. Is this progress? Perhaps I'm confused on the matter, but perhaps Gore, as representative of those disgruntled with Bush's destructive administration, is fearful that his stash of secret nacho and beer recipes will be discovered as government agents ransack the nation. That's

what's going to happen, right?

It's despicable, isn't it? But what's even more despicable is Bush's new idea of calling for higher standards in fuel efficiency for sports utility vehicles. This is just a cover for his designs on Iraq — his greedy, Texas tycoon plotting on the second largest oil bed in the world. I can't stand it. What will all the people who have purchased SUVs do? It's an outrage — a bloody insult to the character of America.

Bush must be stopped, and Al Gore is the man to do it. Too many blunders, too many international scandals, and — wait a minute. Have I got this completely wrong? Has the international community dropped the ball on Afghanistan? Is Bush not as stupid as most everyone with a loud voice makes him out to be? Has Al Gore become the likeliest candidate to challenge him for the second time in the presidential elections for no particular reason other than the fact that he's still the biggest name the Democrats have? And what's this about seal fights aboard a Naval party sub? Is that something Jared is promoting?

I'd be hiding your nachos-and-beer recipes if I were you.

*Anthony Laplume is a senior English major.*

# Whining Democrats

## Invalid arguments on a poorly proven issue

BRYNN  
LARY

FOR THE MAINE CAMPUS

in, and it told them to smear all of you as violent thugs."

Whether you like Rush Limbaugh or not, they should know that just because a person listens to Rush, doesn't mean that they're going to run out and threaten Daschle. Just because Daschle is sorry that he lost control of the Senate, therefore giving it to the Republicans, doesn't mean that he still has to continue attacking the Republican right.

By attacking Limbaugh and creating these outrageous lies, he is making it sound as if Limbaugh wants to threaten Daschle. If Daschle really cared about being called an "obstructionist" on the air, then perhaps he would have stopped Alec Baldwin from making the comment in Time magazine that Republicans are able to do "horrendous acts." Well, as one might have guessed, it's a double standard when it comes to Daschle. Republicans do not deserve any concern because Daschle reserves it all for himself and his precious Democratic Party.

Now why is Daschle really

angry? These threats surely cannot be the answer because I simply do not believe that had the Democrats won the majority, that Daschle would care about these threats quite so much or the words of Rush Limbaugh either. Is Daschle worried because perhaps being called an "obstructionist" is correct? Yes, I think that just might be it.

Daschle is an obstructionist because he did not allow the Homeland Security bill to come to a vote until the elections were over. Furthermore, the name fits Daschle because he has been sitting on those judge appointments. It appears that Limbaugh and his listeners are right to utter the word "obstructionist."

Last but not least, McCain has joined the band wagon by calling Limbaugh a "circus clown." Perhaps this would be because Limbaugh has called him on several issues such as the fact that more and more lately, McCain has been voting in opposition of his fellow Republicans. For example, voting against tax cuts and military spending. McCain, like Daschle, must be feeling the humiliation of Rush Limbaugh being right and 20 million listeners hearing about it.

*Brynn Lary is a senior English major.*

Stability in Afghanistan?



# STYLE.



Tonight: Turkey Bingo, part of the Games Night Series. 8 p.m. Memorial Union, sponsored by the Campus Activities Board.

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## Steve-O brings 'Jackass' antics to Orono

Clown college grad to promote "Don't try this at home" video

By Alex Lehning  
Staff Reporter

Not many students would consider sledding down the steps of Memorial Union into a bush or setting themselves on fire on the mall a definition of a good time. Yet, insane stunts similar to these have made the popular MTV show "Jackass" a nationwide hit. UMaine students will get a taste of homemade craziness when the "Jackass" "Don't Try This At Home" tour comes to Ushuaia's Dec. 5.

"It is going to be an extremely funny night to remember," club owner Alexander Gray said. "It is so outlandish that it is funny."

The show will feature physical comedian and "Jackass" cast member Steve-O, as well as probable special guests Jason "Wee-man" Acuna and "Party Boy." The show material is supposed to be kept a secret, although it may draw material from Steve-O's new video "Don't Try This At Home," according to Gray. Steve-O hinted at some possible stunts in an interview with Terry Morrow that can be found on his Web site at <http://www.steveovideo.com>.

"We do horrible things to each other. I break a lightbulb over my head. I slice my tongue with glass, chew [the glass] up and swallow it. I dive through the roof of a Portapotty," Steve-O said. "I set my hair on fire and let people blow fire bubbles off my head. I do a handstand and let [another cast member] dive through my legs like a human field goal." He also was cited in Louisiana for violating obscenity laws by stapling his scrotum to his thigh during a recent performance.

Steve-O, whose real name is Stephen Glover, was born June 13, 1974 and traveled around the world as an Army brat. He is a graduate of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Clown College and spent six months as a clown on a cruise ship. He also has worked as a professional stuntman. He summed up his attitude towards stunts and pranks during a recent interview with "Maxim" magazine.

"I don't know if it's do-able. Let's do it," he said.

Despite having been on the air for only two full seasons, "Jackass" has enjoyed a continued boost in popularity, thanks to the recent and surprising box office hit "Jackass:

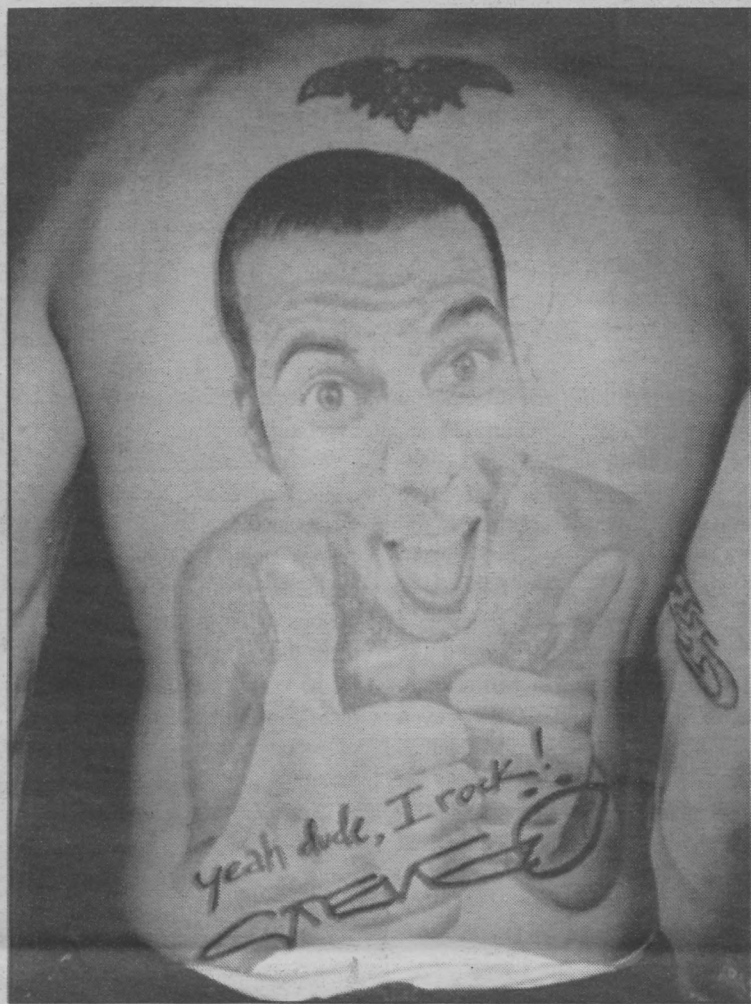
The Movie."

Unfortunately, what makes the show and film so outrageously funny is also what makes it the most controversial. Sen. Joseph Lieberman criticized the show in a statement after a 13-year-old boy in Connecticut was doused with gasoline and set on fire by his friends, apparently imitating a "Jackass" stunt.

"There are some things that are so potentially dangerous and inciting, particularly to vulnerable children, that they simply should not be put on TV," Lieberman said.

There have been several lawsuits concerning children and young adults that have been seriously injured or even killed while allegedly acting out scenes from the television show. Both MTV and the cast have come out against these allegations, pointing to strongly worded audio and visual disclaimers, as well as appeals from cast members themselves.

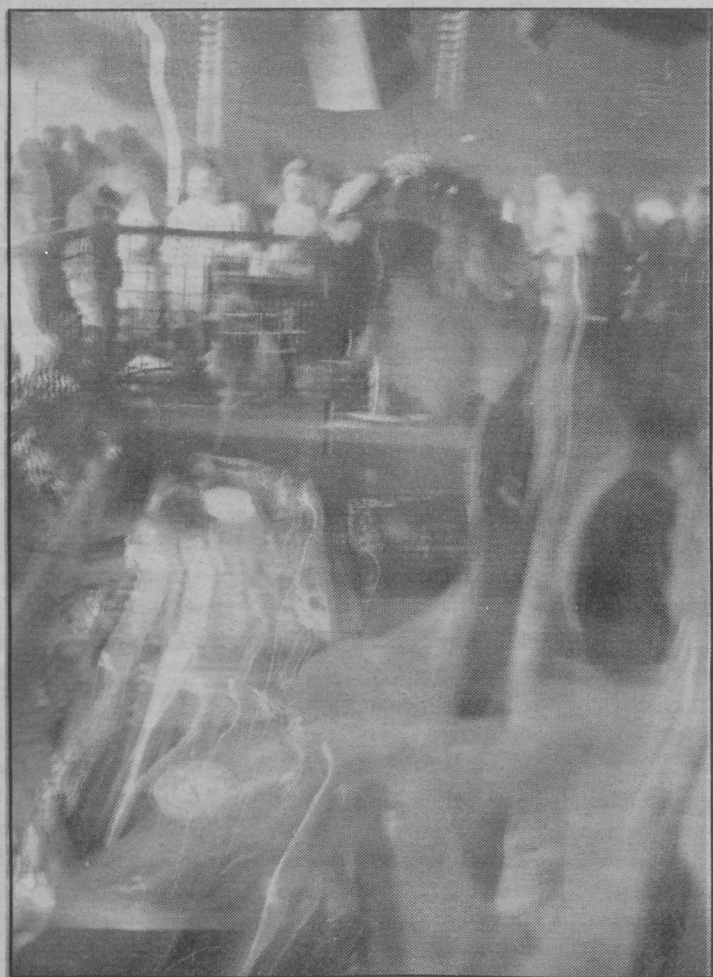
Whether or not you think a clown school graduate eating glass is your idea of fun or just demented, Ushuaia's will be the place to be Dec. 5 when "Jackass" comes to Orono. For more information, call 866-7700.



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Steve-O of "Jackass" shows off his largest tattoo, a self-portrait. Steve-O and other "Jackass" cast members will visit Ushuaia's Dec. 5 in support of their new video, "Don't Try This at Home."

### Spinning the night away



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DJ Griff spins at Ushuaia Thursday night. DJ Irene, the main attraction of the evening, was stuck in Cleveland due to heavy fog. Owner Alex Gray promised club-goers a make-up performance and handed out free passes for the show at the door.

## Pop-punk at its best and worst

Allister wins over Augusta crowd, Marks the Spot a disaster

By Jason Unterreiner  
For The Maine Campus

Pop-punk launched a full-scale invasion at The Edge in Augusta this Friday as Don't Look Down, Allister and Riddlin' Kids took the stage.

In extreme contrast to recent sold out shows at the venue, less than 250 people attended the Massconcerts sponsored show. Massconcerts, a company that has been bringing big name bands to the Augusta venue, also has had a hand in recent gigs at Ushuaia.

Opening the show was Gardiner's very own Marks the Spot. Proving just how little it takes to book a show in this state, the band continued their tradition of making every other band sound better. Marks the Spot, whose sound is a cross between Blink 182 and Boxcar Racer, bored a majority of the crowd that heckled the band between songs. With a seemingly never-ending onslaught of generic pop-punk, the band played their usual assortment of disorganized wreckless clutter

along with some new songs. They ended their set with "New Years," and to much relief of the crowd, left the stage.

Seemingly amazing in the

"You could tell that some of the kids didn't really know who we were, but they were still having a great time and getting really into us."

wake of Marks the Spot was Don't Look Down. Hailing from New Jersey, Don't Look Down played an energetic set of guitar driven punk rock. Their sound was reminiscent of early NOFX, and had a very metal-influenced guitar sound.

Stealing the show and the hearts of many pre-teen girls in the audience was Chicago based Allister. Allister, touring in

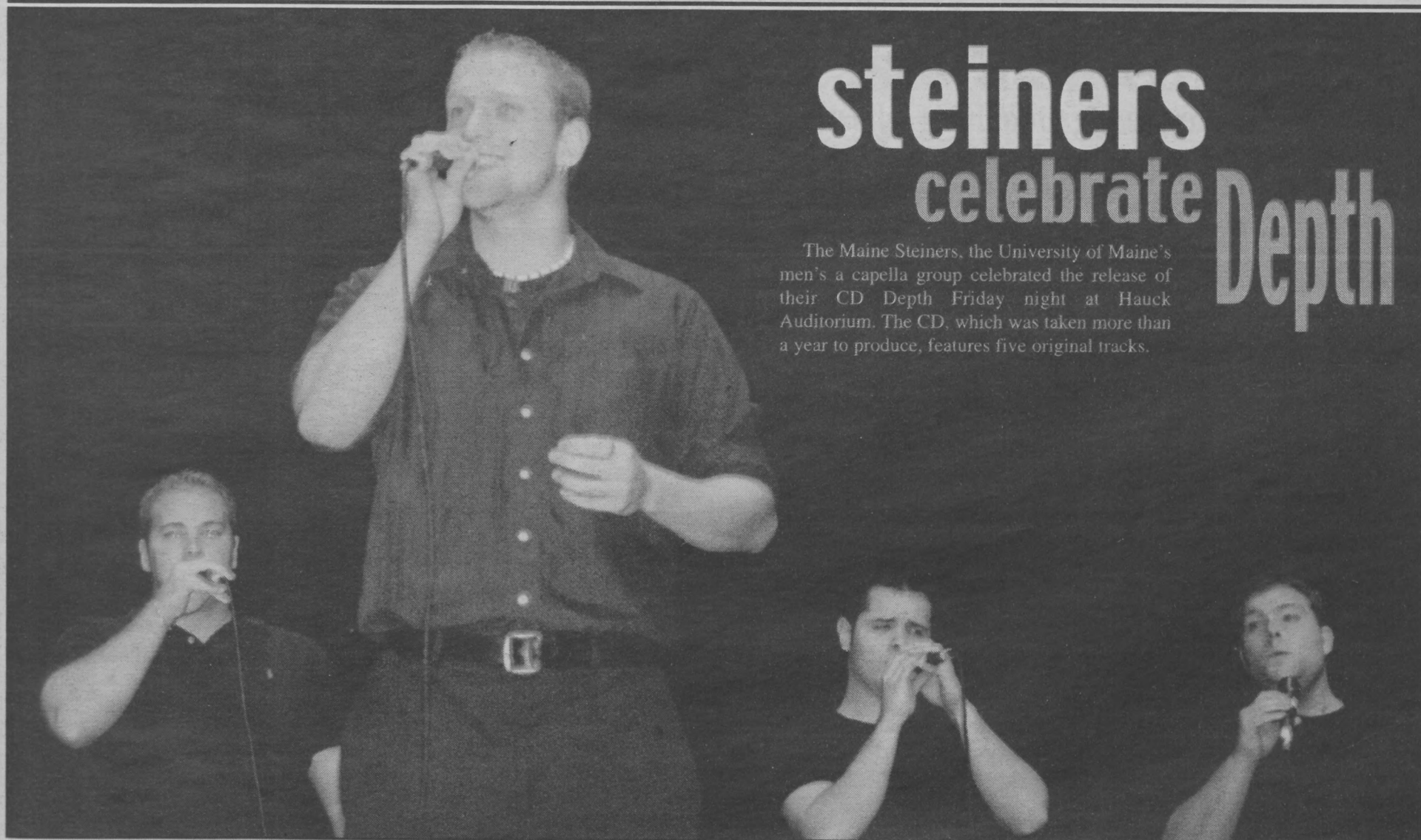
support of their latest Drive-Thru Records release, Last Stop Suburbia, fed off the high-energy crowd to deliver an equally high-energy performance. Even bassist Scottie Murphy noticed the small, yet energetic crowd and swore it was the best show he had ever played.

"You could tell that some of the kids didn't really know who we were, but they were still having a great time and getting really into us," Murphy said.

The band played songs from their latest album, as well as old favorites from their previous Drive-Thru album, Dead Ends and Girlfriends, including the crowd favorite "Fraggle Rawk," a cover of the theme song from the popular 1980's children's show "Fraggle Rock." The band also covered the Ramones' "I Wanna Be Sedated," labeling them the greatest punk rock band ever. Apparently desensitized to generic garbage from their years as a Drive-Thru band, bassist Murphy even dedicated

See ALLISTER on page 13





# steiners celebrate Depth

The Maine Steiners, the University of Maine's men's a capella group celebrated the release of their CD *Depth* Friday night at Hauck Auditorium. The CD, which was taken more than a year to produce, features five original tracks.



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The Steiners are a 10 man group with members from a variety of majors and years in school. Special guests, Renaissance, UMaine's female a capella group, (below) performed six of their songs during the show. Some Steiner members posed as the Naked 5 to announce the score of the hockey game.





# Bowdoin grad tells what they don't teach in class

How to make it to the big time: lying, cheating, womanizing

By Jackie Farwell  
Copy Editor

The subtitle for the book "First Job," by Bowdoin graduate Rinker Buck, accurately describes the book I wanted to read: "A Memoir of Growing Up at Work." Unfortunately, a

## Book Review

"First Job: A Memoir of Growing Up at Work"

by Rinker Buck

2002, Public Affairs

Books

\$27.50

more accurate subtitle for Buck's account of his employment at the legendary Berkshire Eagle newspaper would have been "First Job: I hardly remember it because I was too busy scoring with chicks."

There were, however, moments of insight and worthwhile reflection in the book, mostly in the beginning. Buck's sense of anxiety and bewilderment following his college graduation is something every student can appreciate,

describing himself as a "22-year-old with a maxed-out brain." A combination of luck, chance and deception lands him a coveted internship at the famous small town newspaper nestled in the Berkshire Mountains of western Massachusetts.

His ability to impress the Eagle's highly regarded publisher, Pete Miller, with his knowledge of the Civil War inspires those wondering what practical application they'll ever find for college academics. But the shameless tricks on which Buck often relies, like lying to the secretary about his family to win her approval and using a friend's photographs to create a phony portfolio, puts the "bitter" in his bittersweet recollections of youth. He justifies his behavior with a "how-it's-done" arrogance, just doing what he had to in order to get ahead.

Buck's manipulative tendencies also show themselves outside of the newspaper office — in his relationships with women. The author's note at the beginning of the book serves as a warning of what's to come, where Buck explains his reasons for changing the names

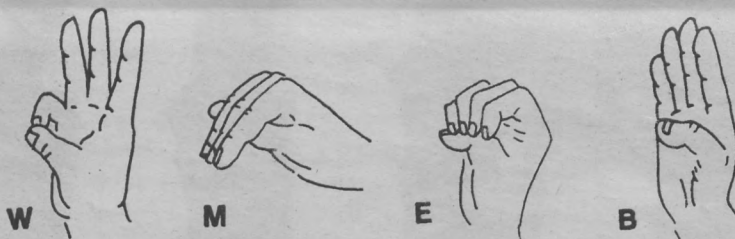
of the women with whom he was involved with at the time. These repetitive accounts, tirelessly describing the emotional, intellectual and physical aspects of numerous women, encompass far too much of a memoir that's supposed to be about the transformation from college student to impassioned journalist.

While romantic relationships contribute to one's emotional growth and development, Buck overwhelms the reader with his dramatized stories of infatuation. He even brings a busty and attractive former college love along to interview John Wayne, knowing the man's susceptibility to pretty young women.

Buck's memories of his experience in the newsroom, covering everything from obituaries to weather to the Duke himself, serve as instructive and welcomed relief from tales of self-important ambition and romantic adventure. His friendship with the brilliant Pulitzer Prize-winning editorialist Roger Linscott and discovery of how to find and tell a story are instructive and substantial elements in a memoir that doesn't recognize their worth.



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## Still going strong

UMaine alum a staple of local music scene

By Alex Lehning  
Staff Reporter

Most local musicians have dreams of playing in clubs under the lights of Boston and New York. Not Paul Anderson. The director of the Sea Grant here at the University of Maine and accomplished guitarist has been a staple of the local music scene for years.

"I played every Bumstock between 1982 and 1992 and helped organize several of them," Anderson said. He also has played at venues like Margarita's — when it was called Barstan's.

Anderson is a graduate of UMaine with a bachelor's degree in microbiology in 1983 and a master's degree in microbiology in 1986. During his undergraduate years, Anderson played in a Grateful Dead cover band, Jehovah's Favorite Choir. "One of our highlights was to warm up for Dave Mason at the Memorial Gym in 1982," Anderson said.

After graduation, Anderson played with a bluegrass group, the Kinsman Ridgerunners, which included Robert Roper, now a professor at University College of Bangor. The group played at fraternity parties and local hangouts such as the Ram's Horn, Oronoka and the Bear's Den. They also had a late

night show on WMEB, called "The Prelude Hour." Anderson later started another radio show in Blue Hill on WERU. It was titled "Bronzewound" and featured bluegrass music.

Anderson's current project is Blue Northern, an acoustic folk and bluegrass band. They will be playing traditional and non-traditional American music at the Keith Anderson Community House in Orono Nov. 30 as part of a new series sponsored by the DADGAD Coffeehouse and the Orono Department of Recreation. Tickets are \$5 and the show starts at 7:30 p.m.

"I started the DADGAD open mic coffeehouse two years ago with a group of Orono town people [and] University people," said Larry Latour, director of the program and an associate professor of computer science here at UMaine. "We're starting to expand and support performances of regional artists, and we felt that Blue Northern was a great place to start because of Paul's connection with the community and university down through the years."

For both new and old fans alike, Anderson will continue to demonstrate his talents during a night of fun and folksy music. For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 866-5065.

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# Student Film Festival showcases amateur works

Semi-annual event allows student filmmakers a rare chance to shine, flop, or fall somewhere between

By Diana McElwain  
Staff Reporter

There is little chance for students who want to become movie directors and producers to develop their talents at the University of Maine. This is where the third semi-annual Film Festival comes into play. Featuring nine films ranging from four to 23 minutes in length, Tuesday night at Donald P. Corbett Business Building was a celebration of films and those who make them.

By far, the most impressive film of the evening was "Star Wars: Attack of the Budget." A child of Deadeye-

Bananovision productions, this refreshingly humorous film followed a commercial for Bananovision, a sketch comedy program in the works at UMaine. The commercial featured Domenic Mascis, the emcee for the event, being stalked through Fogler Library by nothing less than a real banana. The message: Bananovision is coming.

The film produced by the company was even more entertaining, especially to those who have grown sick and tired of the mass marketing and commercialization of "Star Wars."

The movie tells the story of what would happen if George Lucas were forced to produce a

movie on a budget. This resulted in trading light sabers for flashlights and an aluminum foil-covered C3PO who tends to scratch himself — all of which leads to the breakdown of poor Lucas. The professional quality of the film, from production and writing to acting, was impressive.

The film, however, was very much a diamond in the rough — the rough being the other hour and a half's worth of films that it was nestled in.

On the flip side of the "Star Wars" documentary there was "The Message." The 20-minute drama left the audience too sleepy to decipher its message. The lack of lighting left

viewers confused as to the course of events in the movie.

Another film that illustrated the wide variety of the evening was "Wide Awake," the story of four normal guys on a summer road trip.

While a humorous display of driving and drunkenness, it was hardly what Academy Award winners are made of.

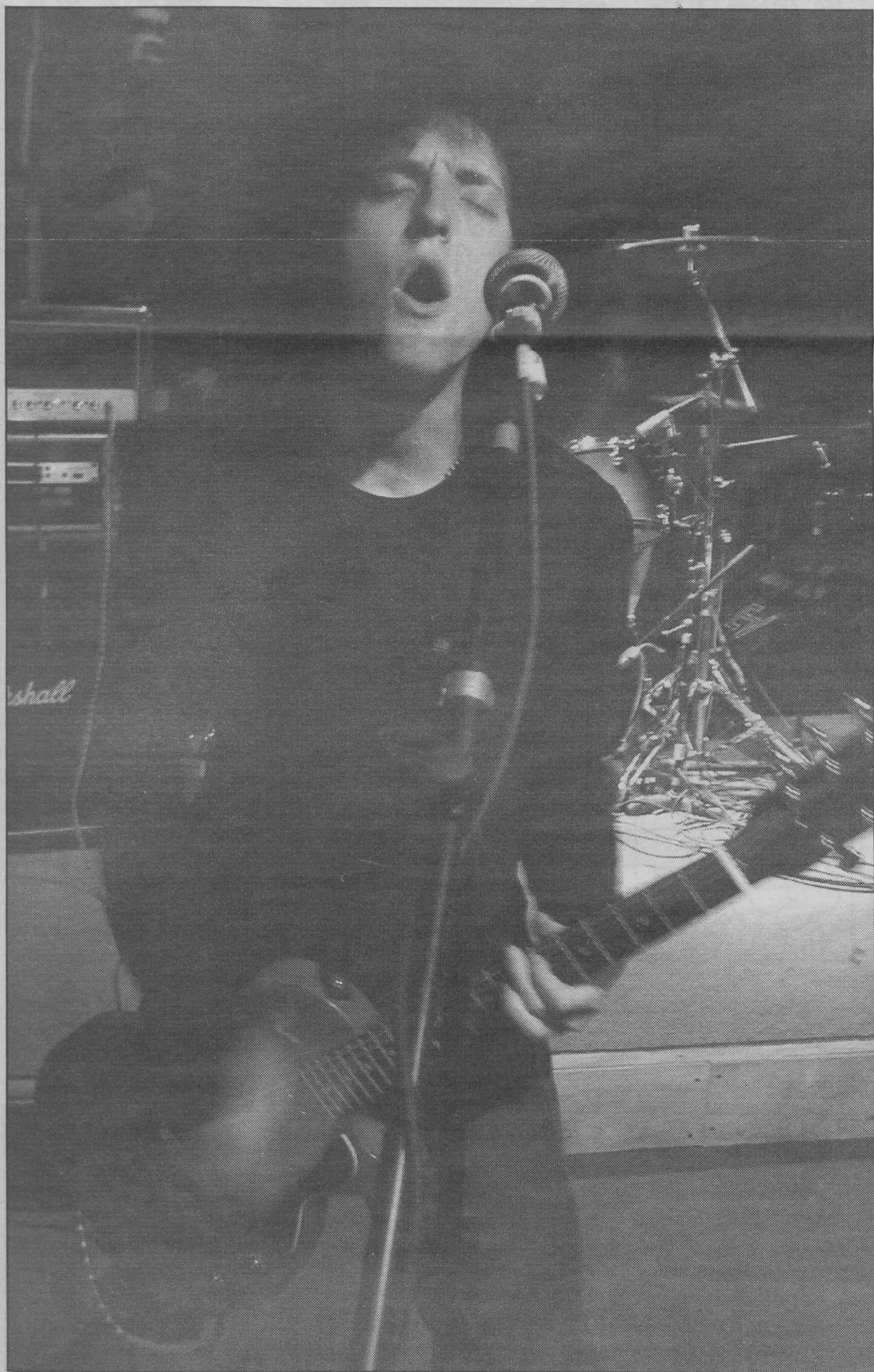
The showing of longer and somewhat painful films was consistently interrupted with shorter and quirkier ones, the work of Paul Ezzy, the man who made this event possible.

"I am the founder and orchestrator. I put up posters to get other people's films and then I show them. I also get

help from my friends, but I generally control the whole thing," Ezzy said. "Basically, I just reserve 100 DPC for a night about three or four months in advance. Next I advertise the Festival and hope to get submissions. Before the Festival I put together programs and new posters. At about a half hour before the curtain goes up I set things up. Unfortunately 100 DPC's projector is less than ideal for showing VHS tapes."

While the equipment was indeed spastic and the attendance was sparse, the evening gave students the rare chance to show off their filmmaking efforts.

ALLISTER from page 10



Guitarist Chris of Allister plays at the Edge in Augusta Friday night. The venue, which has started to pull in many big name bands only managed to attract 250 concert-goers. The event was headlined by Texas-based Riddlin' Kids.

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a song to opening band Marks the Spot, complimenting their female drummer, Alana.

Ending the show on a solid note was the Riddlin' Kids. Having played the venue earlier this summer, the Texans are no strangers to The Edge. The band played songs from their recently released album, *Hurry Up and Wait*, including their radio-friendly single "I Feel Fine." The band kept with the tradition of pop-punk cover songs with

their crowd-pleasing cover of "It's the End of the World as We Know It" by R.E.M. The band had tremendous energy and guitarist Dustin Stroud jumped around the stage inexhaustibly for the length of their set, while drummer Dave Keep threw in more than the usual supply of stick twirls and flashy tricks.

Allister and Riddlin' Kids will continue their tour with *Don't Look Down* through early December.

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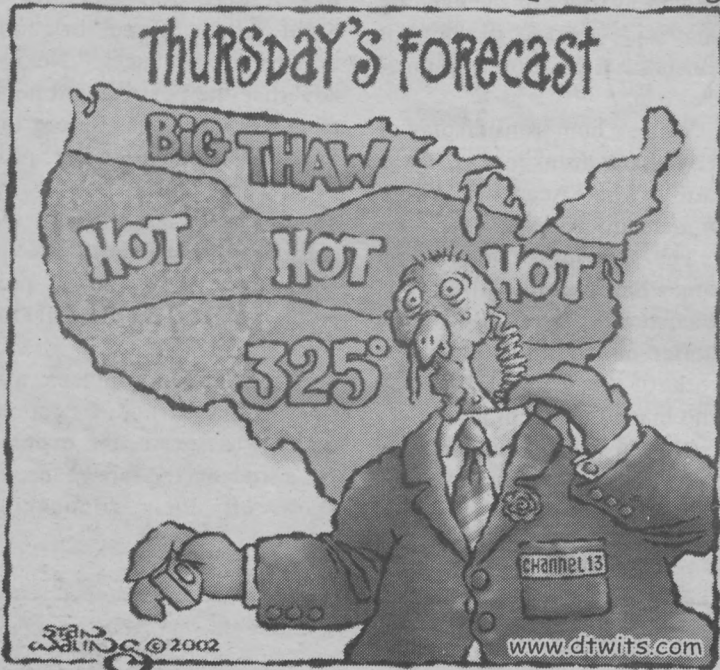
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## DITHERED TWITS by Stan Waling



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Zot thought nothing could be worse than a broken antenna, until his dad made him wear the coat hanger and tin foil.

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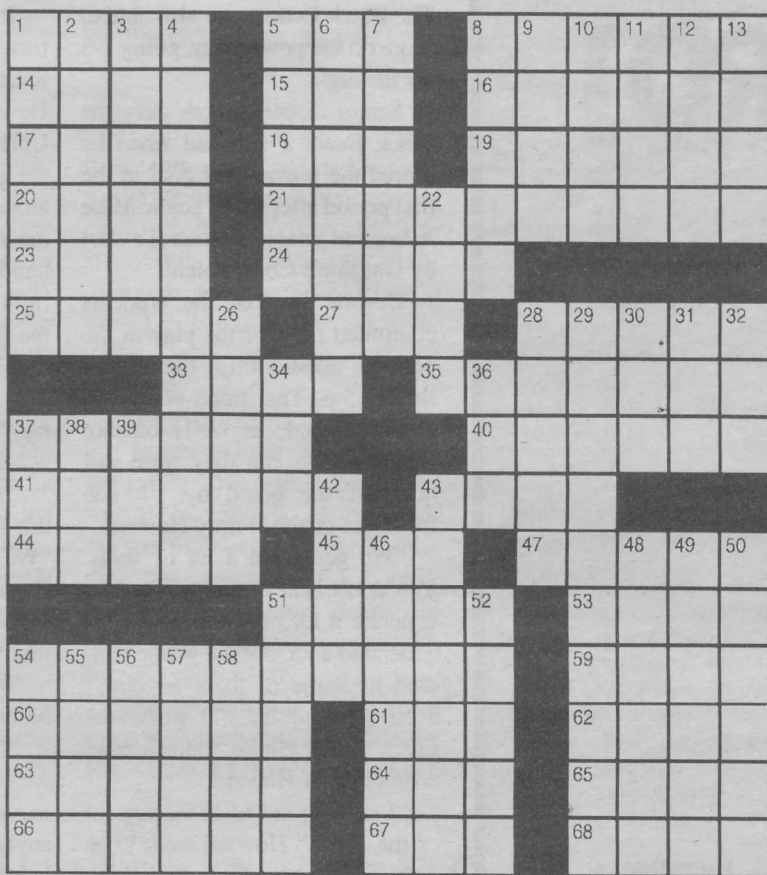




# Crossword

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- 1 Latvian
  - 5 \_\_\_ of Galilee
  - 8 Warnings
  - 14 Sea green
  - 15 NYC arena
  - 16 Make shoe repairs
  - 17 Sound of rippling water
  - 18 Simian
  - 19 Zodiac sign
  - 20 Kitchen fixture
  - 21 Brought to mind
  - 23 Writer Bagnold
  - 24 Large African antelopes
  - 25 Religious grp.
  - 27 Low
  - 28 Jacket part
  - 33 Marriage partner
  - 35 Artful paper-folding
  - 37 Denver pro
  - 40 Persian Gulf island
  - 41 Commuter flight
  - 43 Fibula or tibia
  - 44 Vagrants
  - 45 Actor Kilmer
  - 47 Epic tales
  - 51 Of the Vatican
  - 53 Lug along
  - 54 Achieved a narrow victory
  - 59 Lawman Dillon
  - 60 King Arthur's paradise
  - 61 Inc. in Liverpool
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  - 63 Make shoe repairs
  - 64 Tour segment
  - 65 Riviera city
  - 66 Light meals
  - 67 Raw mineral
  - 68 Time period

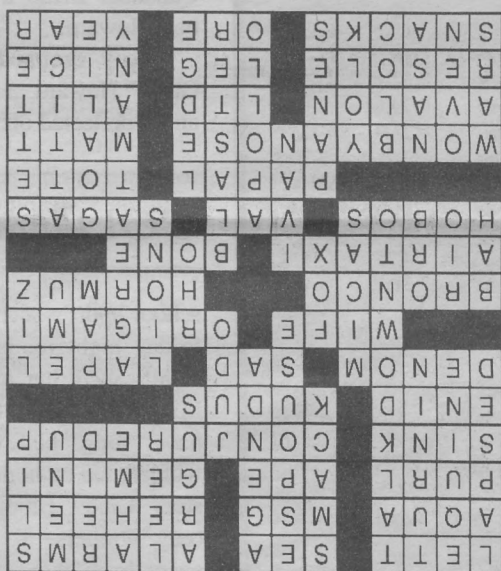
- DOWN**
- 1 Ran out
  - 2 Horselike
  - 3 Hit the hay
  - 4 Speak with condescension
  - 5 Kiss loudly
  - 6 Give one's support to
  - 7 Order of business
  - 8 Giant with 100 eyes
  - 9 Knowing look
  - 10 Lamenters' words
  - 11 Tim of "WKRP in Cincinnati"
  - 12 List of options
  - 13 Inadvertent error
  - 22 Self-defense system
  - 26 Aluminum silicates
  - 28 Detroit team
  - 29 Quite a few
  - 30 Singer Tillis
  - 31 Rhea's relative
  - 32 Designer Claiborne
  - 34 Crafty critter
  - 36 Greek letter
  - 37 \_\_\_ humbug!
  - 38 Spanish river
  - 39 Globe
  - 42 Reitman or Lendl
  - 43 Demolition expert
  - 46 Very handsome young man
  - 48 Net minder
  - 49 New York prison
  - 50 Hunting dog
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## Solutions



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# SEX matters

**A student from UNCC wants to know: Can a woman get pregnant at any time, or is there a time when she can't get pregnant?**

*Female, First-Year*

**Dr. Caron's response:** You get pregnant when an egg and sperm come together so both need to be present for this to occur. Most women ovulate (release an egg) in the middle of their cycle. For example, if a woman menstruates every 28 days, she typically ovulates 10 to 16 days before the start of her next period. The egg lives only four to 24 hours after ovulation. Sperm are most active within 48 hours after ejaculation. So, one way to avoid pregnancy is to avoid having intercourse around the time you ovulate. Of course, you can also use birth control pills, which stop ovulation completely. The problem is trying to determine when you ovulate. For some women, the signs are more obvious. For example, some women experience a twinge on one side of the lower abdomen during ovulation.

called mittelschmerz (German for middle pain). Around the time of ovulation, there is an increase and a change in cervical mucous secretions. The mucus becomes clear, slippery and stretchy (like egg white). It is at this time that a woman can most easily become pregnant. If you really want to understand your body and your ovulatory cycle, I suggest learning natural family planning (there are books explaining this); this method teaches you how to chart your temperature and mucus changes in order to predict ovulation. You can also buy an ovulation-prediction kit at the drug store; but this can be a bit expensive, as it requires you to check your urine daily for the presence of hormones. Best wishes!

*Dr. Sandra L. Caron is a professor of human sexuality at the University of Maine. To submit a question to Dr. Caron or chat with your peers, visit [www.CollegeSexTalk.com](http://www.CollegeSexTalk.com). Copyright Sandra L. Caron, 2002.*

Amanda Geiger never saw the drunk driver.

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# [SCOREBOARD]

**MEN'S HOCKEY:**

Friday, Nov. 22 vs. New Hampshire

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| UMAINE | 1 0 0 1-2 |
| UNH    | 0 0 1 0-1 |

**First Period** — 1. UM, Liscak (Shields, Lawson), 13:28.**Penalties** — Ryan, UM (interference), 1:37. Loya, UM (cross-checking), 5:11. Lubesnick, UNH (holding), 12:26. Ryan, UM (interference), 16:44. Teplitsky, UNH (slashing), 18:43.**Second Period** — no scoring.**Penalties** — Wight, UM (tripping), 3:57. Foley, UNH (hitting after whistle), 4:03. Murphy, UM (holding), 9:17.**Third Period** — 2, UNH, Gare (Callander), 11:06.**Penalties** — Shaneberger, UM (tripping), 5:25.**Overtime** — 3, UM, Kariya (Heisten), 0:29.**Shots on goal** — UMaine 6-6-14-1 27. UNH 15-12-9-0 36.**Goalies** — UMaine, Howard (34 saves 35 shots). UNH, Ayers (23-25).**Attendance** — 5,641 (sellout)**MEN'S BASKETBALL**

Saturday, Nov. 23 vs. UM-Fort Kent

**UMaine (118)**

Dobson 5-8 3-4 13, Reed 12-16 0-1 30, Hill 5-10 0-0 14, Dubois 5-7 3-8 13, Campbell 7-9 2-2 17, Petkus 5-13 2-3 12, Leavitt 3-3 0-0 9, Jackson 4-8 2-3 10. Totals 46-74 12-21 118.

**UM-Fort Kent (61)**

Frias 4-11 3-4 12, Clavette 2-7 0-0 5, Alarcon 1-4 0-0 3, Samaitis 12-15 1-1 25, Bente 3-6 0-0 6, Khazanovitch 0-0 1-2 1, Gervais 3-9 0-0 6, Veloso 0-2 0-2 0, Bourgoin 1-3 0-0 3, Platia 0-1 0-0 0, Henry 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 26-60 5-9 61.

**Halftime** — UMaine 55, UM-Fort Kent 25. **Fouled out** — none.**Rebounds** — UMaine (Dubois 15), UM-Fort Kent (Samaitis 5). **Assists** — UMaine (Dobson 7), UM-Fort Kent(Bente 4). **Total fouls** — UMaine 15, UM-Fort Kent 18.**Attendance** — 1,611

Sunday, Nov. 24 vs. Georgia Southern

**UMaine (77)**

Dobson 8-17 3-4 22, Reed 2-9 3-3 8, Hill 3-6 0-0 8, Dubois 3-5 2-4 8, Campbell 5-11 2-4 14, Petkus 2-7 3-3 8, Jackson 3-8 2-2 9. Totals 26-63 15-20 77.

**Georgia Southern (91)**

Faulk 0-2 0-0 0, Jenkins 7-14 5-5 22, Williams 6-15 0-0 16, Bennett 8-11 3-3 19, Joseph 0-1 0-0 0, Olivier 2-5 0-0 4, Mobley 2-5 2-2 6, Gibson 3-10 0-0 8, Francois 7-12 0-0 14, Berry 1-01 0-0 2. Totals 36-77 10-10 91.

**Halftime** — UMaine 46, Georgia Southern 40. **Fouled out** — none.**Rebounds** — UMaine (Dobson 7), Georgia Southern (Francois 9). **Assists** — UMaine (Dobson 6), Georgia Southern (Williams 10).**Total fouls** — UMaine 17, Georgia Southern 16.**Attendance** — 1,456**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

Friday, Nov. 22 @ Dartmouth College

**UMaine (65)**

Heon 4-9 3-5 11, Jay 0-0 0-0 0, Corbitt 4-7 1-4 9, Veilleux 2-13 2-2 6, Schrader 7-12 0-2 14, Traversi 2-7 0-0 6, Geraghty 7-14 1-2 17, Gay 0-0 0-0 0, Quackenbush 1-4 0-0 2, Peterson 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 27-69 7-15 65.

**Dartmouth (71)**

Cullen 7-12 3-4 21, Soriaga 5-10 5-5 17, Skelly 0-7 1-2 1, Librizzi 1-1 0-0 3, Hanks 7-16 6-7 20, Frett 0-0 0-1 0, O'Donnell 0-0 0-0 0, Lewis 0-3 2-2 2, Yasaitis 2-6 3-3 7, Downs 0-1 0-0 0, Perry 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-56 20-24 71.

**Halftime** — Dartmouth 37, UMaine 32. **Fouled out** — none. **Rebounds** — UMaine (Veilleux 11), Dartmouth (Hanks 12).**Assists** — UMaine (Corbitt 5), Dartmouth (Soriaga 5). **Total fouls** — UMaine 21, Dartmouth 18.**Attendance** — 625**FOOTBALL:**

Saturday, Nov. 23 vs. New Hampshire

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| New Hampshire | 3 0 6 7-14   |
| UMAINE        | 7 14 0 14-31 |

**First Quarter**

UNH — Michael Taylor 32-yard pass from Mike Granieri (McCormick kick), 6:41.

UM — Mike Mellow 33-yard field goal, 3:17.

**Second Quarter**

UM — Danny Fusco 9-yard pass from Jon Meczywor (Mellow kick), 9:41.

UM — Onyi Momah 33-yard rush (Mellow kick), 4:26.

**Third Quarter**

no scoring.

**Fourth Quarter**

UM — Fusco 6-yard pass from Meczywor (Mellow kick), 11:47.

UNH — Jon Hart 5-yard pass from Mike Granieri.

UM — Joan Quezada 3-yard interception return (Mellow kick), 4:47.

|                    | UM     | UNH     |
|--------------------|--------|---------|
| First Downs        | 10     | 11      |
| Rushes-yards       | 44-223 | 41-36   |
| Passing yards      | 72     | 143     |
| Return yards       | 2-29   | 6-125   |
| Comp-Att-Int       | 7-21-1 | 13-38-3 |
| Sacked-yards lost  | 5-44   | 1-7     |
| Punts              | 8-38.6 | 7-36.9  |
| Fumbles-lost       | 2-1    | 4-2     |
| Penalties-yards    | 4-35   | 8-45    |
| Time of possession | 31:17  | 28:43   |

**Individual Statistics****RUSHING** — UM, Williams 20-96, Momah 6-48, Meczywor 9-43, Owens 7-37, Gelsomino 1-2. UNH, Lewis 20-33, Wiley 1-15, Harvey 1-2, Polgar 1-(-2), Granieri 18-(-12).**PASSING** — UM, Meczywor 7-20-1 72, Mellow 0-1-0 0. UNH, Granieri 13-38-3 143.**RECEIVING** — UM, Fusco 3-26, Waller 2-37, Pereira 2-9. UNH, Diner 5-30, Taylor 4-88, Harvey 2-3, Lewis 1-17, Hart 1-5.**MEN'S HOCKEY from page 20**

age by keeping UNH's power play unit scoreless with a 0-6 showing. The Black Bears were also able to score on the power play, going 1-3 for the night.

Senior Robert Liscak gave the Black Bears a 1-0 lead when he scored the power play goal in the first period after UNH goalie Mike Ayers was unable to control a shot by UMaine's Colin Shields.

Despite the goal, the Wildcats controlled most of the play in the period, outshooting the Black Bears 15-6. That trend continued in the second, as UNH outshot UMaine 12-6, but they were still held off the board by UMaine freshman goalie Jimmy Howard.

"We generated a lot of shots. You don't beat Maine unless you generate a lot of shots. The guys generated a lot, but the goalie handled it. Some of them he didn't even see and he still made the saves," Dick Umile, UNH's head coach said of Howard.

"I saw a good 85 to 90 percent of the shots," Howard said. "The defense did a good job of clearing out the front [of the net]."

UNH's hard work finally paid off when their leading scorer, Lanny Gare, and linemate Preston Callander made a great play to beat Howard.

"They dropped the puck to Gare," Howard said, "he shot it and it deflected off a stick in front

of me and beat me over the shoulder."

It was just 29 seconds into overtime when Kariya scored his fourth goal of the season. Chris Heisten grabbed a turnover in the UNH zone and was able to slide the puck to Kariya, who was all alone on the right wing cutting to the net. Kariya went to his back hand and put the puck over the right pad of Ayers to give UMaine the win.

The Black Bears improved to 9-1-1 overall and 4-0-0 in Hockey East. UNH dropped to 7-2-2 and 5-2-1 in Hockey East.

"We've never had a start like this in Hockey East," Kariya said. "We've had to play tough teams in Boston, a tough defensive team in UMass and now UNH. To have four wins is a bonus."

Whitehead's enthusiasm was a bit more cautious.

"It's early [in the season], but we're in the hunt," he said. "The message is that we can play with anybody. We still need to improve, I don't think we played our best game in the first and second [periods]. But at the same time, we rose to the occasion in the third and OT."

UMaine will have one more game before the Thanksgiving break when they take on the Quinnipiac Bobcats Tuesday night at Alford Arena.

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school sport's scene. Soccer and Friday night football have some significance, but let's be real. In Maine, it's basketball. The fans have long believed that the women, led by hometown success story Cindy Blodgett, were the only winners. To take nothing away from their successful program, Dr. Giannini and his staff had produced a consistent winner.

The winning argument fails to stand up. No NCAA tournament appearances, but Giannini's teams compiled a 61-27 record during

the three year period from 1998-2001, breaking numerous school records. Last season after struggling to find an identity and establish a consistent rhythm all winter, the Black Bears overcame obstacle after obstacle to reach the America East championship. Along the way, UMaine beat conference favorite and rival Vermont. Winning, this program has produced and Maine sports fans refuse to recognize it. And in the end that's really what it's all about—the win.

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# Women's hoops drops season opener at Dartmouth, 71-65

Becky Sturtevant  
Staff Reporter

The combination of seasoned veterans and powerful freshman was too much for the University of Maine women's basketball team, and the Black Bears were handed their first loss, a 71-65 defeat by the Dartmouth College Big Green at Hanover, N.H. Friday night.

The Black Bears could not contain first-year guard Jean Cullen, who exploded for a career-high 21 points to lead the team in scoring in her collegiate debut. Fellow freshman Angela Soriaga was equally strong offensively, scoring 17 points and dishing out five assists.

Senior Katherine Hanks, a familiar face in the scoring books for Dartmouth, also helped to pace

the Big Green with 20 points and 12 rebounds for her first double-double of the season.

The Black Bears got 17 points from senior Ellen Geraghty, as well as double figure performances from junior guard Melissa Heon with 10 points, and freshman forward Abby Schrader, who turned in her first career double-double with 14 points and 10 rebounds.

Along with Schrader and junior forward Julie Veilleux (11 rebounds), the Black Bears did well on the boards, out-rebounding the Big Green 45-39. Despite their dominance on the boards, however, the Black Bears did have struggles, particularly with free-throw shooting.

UMaine shot only 46.7 percent from the charity stripe, while the Big Green hit five of six clutch

free throws at the end of the game to cap the victory and finish the game 20 of 24 from the line.

The Black Bears return to Alford Arena this weekend for their home opener in the Dead River Company Classic Friday night. The 7 p.m. matchup pits UMaine against another Ivy League conference member, Brown University.

Like UMaine, the Brown Bears dropped their season opener and are looking for their first check in the win column.

Additionally, the Dead River Company Classic will include a game between Drake University and University of Montana at 4:30 p.m. Friday. Saturday, the winners of each game will match up, with tip-off for the championship game at 7 p.m. and the consolation game preceding at 4:30 p.m.

# Women's hockey junior finds Maine a good fit both on and off the ice

By Matt Hritz  
For The Maine Campus

The game of hockey has been in University of Maine junior forward Meagan Aarts' blood almost her entire life. Raised in Watford, Ontario, Aarts began skating when she was just four years old.

"My brothers played [hockey] and I always watched them, so I decided I wanted to play too. So I got into it, and they supported me," Aarts said.

In high school, Aarts participated in both volleyball and track and field. Hockey wasn't available at her high school so she played community hockey in Watford with mostly boys until the age of 15.

"Obviously it's more physical, you can hit," Aarts said. "I like physical, I think the women's game should be allowed more contact. Every team seems to be real physical."

Before coming to UMaine, Aarts played for the Bluewater Hawks, where she was a defenseman and forward. While she was on the team, the Hawks won a couple of All-Ontario championships.

When the time came to decide on what college to attend, several teams including Ohio State University, Mercyhurst College and Cornell University recruited Aarts. UMaine head coach Rick

Filighera also took an interest in Aarts for her toughness and skill.

Part of the attraction of coming to play for UMaine was the fact that Orono is a small town, just like her hometown of Watford in Ontario. Another attraction was the familiar face of senior forward Nicole Munro, who played for the Hawks with Aarts before coming to UMaine.

"I visited Ohio State and it was too big. Here it is more like home. I like that," Aarts said. "I like our coach and the teammates that we have here."

Outside of hockey, Aarts is a kinesiology and physical education major but being a hockey player and a student keeps Aarts very busy.

"Whenever I have a day off, all I do is sleep and hang out with my friends," Aarts said. "I like movies. [A bunch of teammates and I] always get together and watch movies all the time."

The transition to college hockey wasn't easy for Aarts at first, as she accumulated many penalties [48 minutes] in her first season after being used to the rougher play in Canada. Her penalty minutes have gone down this season, and she strives to focus on scoring and setting up goals instead of trying to be tough and physical.

Coach Filighera has been pleased with Aarts' performance in her three years at UMaine.

"She has produced the last two years and gives us a threat on offense," Filighera said.

So far in her career, Aarts has racked up 70 points with 39 goals and 28 assists.

"It's been good so far," Aarts said. "I think I've gotten a lot better every year. When I was first recruited here, I wasn't even on a line. I got better, and I proved myself."

After her career at UMaine concludes, Aarts would like to continue playing hockey if she can.

"There's teams in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, a couple in Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa," Aarts said. "I can get paid, but not a lot so I'll need another job."

Right now, Aarts hopes to help the Black Bears (3-5-0) get out of their scoring funk. In eight games the Black Bears are averaging only 1.4 goals a game.

"Last year we were like top of the league for offense, and this year we are struggling right now," Aarts said. "I don't know what it is. We have the shots. I've gotten a lot of chances, but I just couldn't score."

The Black Bears and Aarts will hope to get the offense back in full gear next weekend when their road trip continues with competition against Ivy League Conference foes Yale University and Princeton University.

## Men's hockey signs two for 2003-04

Before the University of Maine men's hockey team knocked off University of New Hampshire Friday night, head coach Tim Whitehead received National Letters of Intent from Luchiano Aquino and Keith Johnson, who will join the team in the fall of 2003.

Aquino, of Mississauga, Ontario, is a 5-foot 10-inch, 175-pound forward currently toiling in the Ontario Provincial Junior Hockey League.

Aquino leads his team in scoring this season with 16 goals and 25 assists in 21 games. He also was named to the Ontario Under-17 Team that competed in the 2002 World Championships.

"Luchiano Aquino is an exciting forward with game-breaking speed who can score goals," Whitehead said.

Keith Johnson, a Windsor, Conn. native playing in the Eastern Junior Hockey League, has scored eight goals and seven assists in 13 games for the New England Junior Coyotes.

The 6-foot, 185-pound Johnson will compete at the U.S. Top Prospects Tournament in December and is an EJHL All-Star.

"Keith is a fierce competitor," Whitehead said. "He can make plays in traffic and has a great sense of the game."

## Baseball lures two recruits to Orono

Biddeford native Ross Cantara and Matt McGraw of Burlington, Ontario have signed National Letters of Intent to join the University of Maine baseball team, Black Bear coach Paul Kostocopolous announced Thursday.

Cantara, a shortstop, led the Southwestern Maine Activities Association in runs batted in,

home runs and stolen bases last season and had a .368 batting average.

"We are very excited to have a player from the state of Maine join our program," Kostocopolous said. "Ross is versatile, athletic and competitive, all attributes that point toward success in this program."

McGraw is an All-Ontario Provincial Team catcher, participated with the Ontario 18-and-under team last season and was invited to the Adidas Elite Camp, which featured the top 30 Canadian players.

"Matt is a very talented player both offensively and defensively," Kostocopolous said. "As a catcher, he possesses above-average arm strength and has excellent hands behind the plate."

## Gabriel, Guidinger honored by league

University of Maine sophomore setter Carmen Gabriel was named to the America East Volleyball All-Conference according to an announcement Friday.

First-year outside hitter Leah Guidinger was honored as well, earning a spot on the conference All-Rookie Team.

Gabriel, an All-Rookie selection last season as a right-side hitter, stepped into the setter's role in 2002 after junior Cheryl Elliott left the team.

Gabriel, a Saskatchewan native and left-hander, led the Black Bears in assists (8.95 per game), digs (3.06 per game) and service aces (34) this season. She also led all America East setters in kills, averaging 2.16 per game.

Guidinger, who also hails from Saskatchewan, led UMaine in kills in her rookie season, averaging 3.36 per game. She was also second on the team in digs with 2.78 per game.

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University of Maine junior linebacker Fred Lazo picks off a pass and looks to gain yards on the return in his team's 31-14 win over University of Rhode Island Saturday. The win gave UMaine a share of the Atlantic-10 Conference Championship.

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With under five minutes left in the half, little used tailback Onyi Momah took the handoff and cruised 33 yards for a lead extending touchdown, 17-7.

"We knew coming into the game that New Hampshire didn't have a great run defense," Williams said. "We wanted to make things easy for Meczywor."

That score would stand until the fourth, when after Fusco's second touch down, the Wildcats threatened again. Granieri found John Hart from five yards out to cut the Black Bear lead to 24-14.

However, the Black Bears stopped UNH's final threat when defensive back Joan Quezada picked off Granieri at the three-yard line, and walked into the end zone, icing the game for UMaine.

With the victory, the Black Bears are assured a share of the Atlantic-10 Conference Championship for the second straight season.

"The goal today was to get the Brice-Cowell Musket," Cosgrove said, referring to the trophy that goes to the winner of the annual football meeting between UMaine and UNH. "Now our goal is a bigger trophy."

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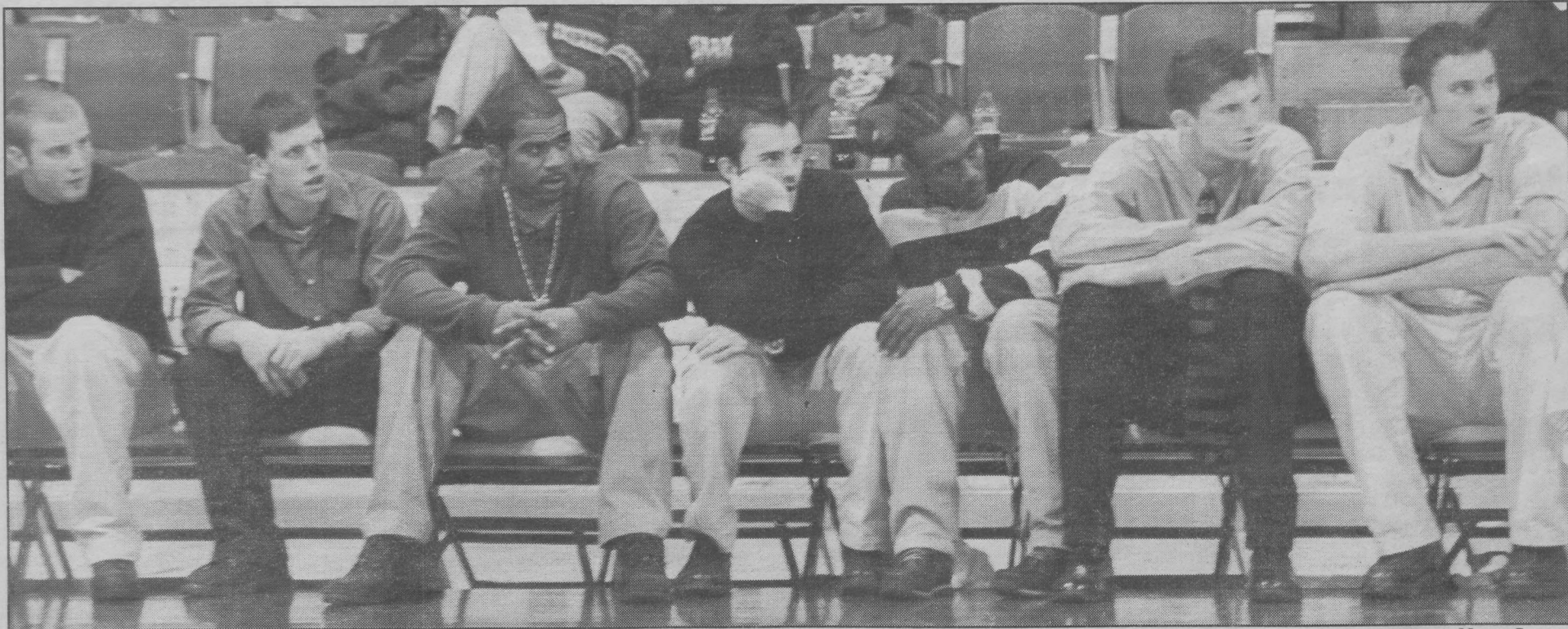
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(From right) Mark Flavin, Justin Rowe, Rickey White, Ludmil Hadjisotirov and Clayton Brown were forced to sit out this weekend's games for violations of NCAA rules. The Black Bear men's basketball team split a pair of games at Alfond Arena, but dressed only eight players for both games.

## Shorthanded men's hoop team splits two at home

### Black Bears win big Saturday, run out of gas Sunday

By Eric Russell  
Sports Editor

With its entire starting front-court suspended, the University of Maine men's basketball team was a little shorthanded when they hosted the Maine Tip-Off Tournament at Alfond Arena this weekend.

The Black Bears took care of Division III UMaine-Fort Kent Saturday 118-61, but couldn't overcome a lack of depth and size against Georgia Southern University Sunday as the Eagles prevailed 91-77.

"I thought we gave a very good effort," Black Bear head coach John Giannini said after Sunday's game. "I thought the guys on the court did everything they could, except for a few poor decisions."

Seniors Justin Rowe, Rickey White and Clayton Brown along with junior Mark Flavin sat out both games for committing a secondary infraction of NCAA rules. The players misused their appropriated book allowance, a violation of NCAA extra-benefit rules, according to a news release by the athletic media relations office last Wednesday.

"Everybody on the team, not just myself, had to step up and take their game to the next level," UMaine sophomore forward Joe Campbell said.

UMaine came out Sunday against Georgia Southern and took control of the game in the first half. The Black Bears led by as many as 14 points with 2:51 to play, but the Eagles closed the gap to six points and UMaine had a 46-40 edge at the break. Junior transfer guard Eric Dobson was hot in the first half, scoring 14 of his game-

high 22 points.

"They started to increase the pressure and started to push the ball more to get us fatigued," Dobson said.

UMaine used a 7-2 run to start the second half, but Georgia Southern responded with their own run. The Eagles outscored the Black Bears 23-4 over the next eight minutes and took a lead UMaine couldn't recover from.

"They needed to exploit a lack of depth and a lack of size, and they did just that," Giannini said. "It's a credit to them."

"We knew we would find a way to wear them down," Georgia Southern coach Jeff Price said. "At least, that was our goal."

Dobson led UMaine with 22 points and Campbell also reached double figures with 14 points. After shooting 55 percent from the field as a team in the first half, the Black Bears cooled off in the second 20 minutes and connected on only 9 of 32 shots.

The Eagles were led by Southern Conference All Star Julius Jenkins' 22 points, with Frank Bennett chipping in 19 and Terry Williams 16, including a couple big second half three-pointers.

Georgia Southern improved to 2-0 on the season after recording a win Saturday against John Jay College, 83-60.

"It was a hard match-up for [UMaine]," Price said. "They were just too small. It would have been a better match-up for us if they had all their players."

The Black Bears had a much easier time Saturday against the Bengals of UM-Fort Kent. UMaine dominated all facets of the game against a physically

inferior team and shot 62 percent from the field in the 57-point win, one of the largest ever at Alfond Arena.

"We did what we were supposed to do," Giannini said after Saturday's game. "We had a bigger, stronger and quicker back-court, and we felt we could give them a hard time if we really pressured things defensively."

First-year guard Kevin Reed led seven Black Bears in double-figures with a game-high 30 points. The Yarmouth, Mass. native connected on 12-16 shots, including 6-8 from three-point range.

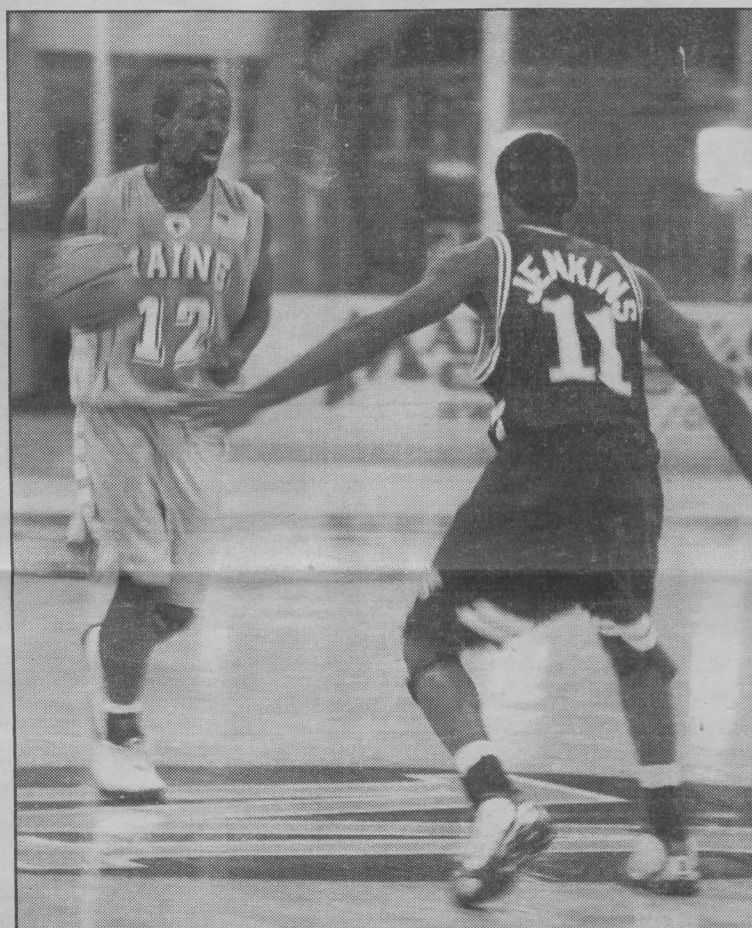
"I love the atmosphere [at Alfond Arena]," Reed said. "You got the band going and the crowd. I just wish we could practice here a little more."

All eight Black Bears who saw action scored at least nine points. Campbell was next in line with 17 points and nine rebounds and sophomore forward David Dubois had 13 points and a career-high 15 rebounds.

"We don't look by any team," Campbell said. "It was supposed to be a game where we go out there and take care of business."

The Black Bears stand at 1-1 on the season after their season opening Maine Tip-Off Tournament. UMaine is in action next weekend at the New Orleans Knockout Tournament in Louisiana. Brown and Flavin will be back for the second game of that tournament and the players said that will be a big boost.

"We need those guys. They are a big part of this team," Reed said of his suspended teammates. "Right now, with the guys we have, we're just trying to get wins."



UMaine transfer guard Eric Dobson scored 22 points in the Black Bears' game Sunday, but it wasn't enough to overtake Georgia Southern University, as the Eagles prevailed 91-77.

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# Sports

Men's basketball team  
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## Men's hoop lost in UM sports mix

By Lucas Peterson  
For The Maine Campus

The headline in Thursday's paper read "Five UMaine men's basketball players suspended for NCAA rules violations." The players were suspended for "misuse of their appropriated book allowance." In other words, senior starters Justin Rowe, Rickey White, and Clayton Brown, as well as junior reserve Mark Flavin and Boston College transfer Ludmil Hadjisotirov knowingly misused their scholarship money.

These suspensions left head coach John Giannini with only eight players for the UMaine Tip-Off Classic. The tournament was significant. Not only did the Maine men start the season at home for the first time in five years, the tourney marked the first time UMaine hosted a men's basketball tournament since 1996-97, coach Giannini's first year in Orono.

The Tip-Off Classic received little media attention and was promoted with little fanfare. It didn't help that the two day event happened to fall during the UMaine-UNH "Black Out" weekend. Hockey talk dominated the week leading up to Friday night's bitter rivalry rematch. The last time the two teams met, the Black Bears embarrassed the Wildcats in front of a national audience at the Frozen Four. The 7-2 drubbing erased New Hampshire's hope for an NCAA championship.

Friday night, Marty Kariya's goal lifted Maine to a thrilling 3-2 overtime victory.

To a cold and rainy Morse Field on Saturday afternoon, a third-string quarterback named Jon Meczywor, perfectly managed a 31-14 win. Meczywor threw one pick, but for a player who had rarely even taken a snap in his two years here, he performed very well. The win on the gridiron paved the way for the Black Bears' sweep of their border rivals and secured a second straight trip to the Division I-AA playoffs.

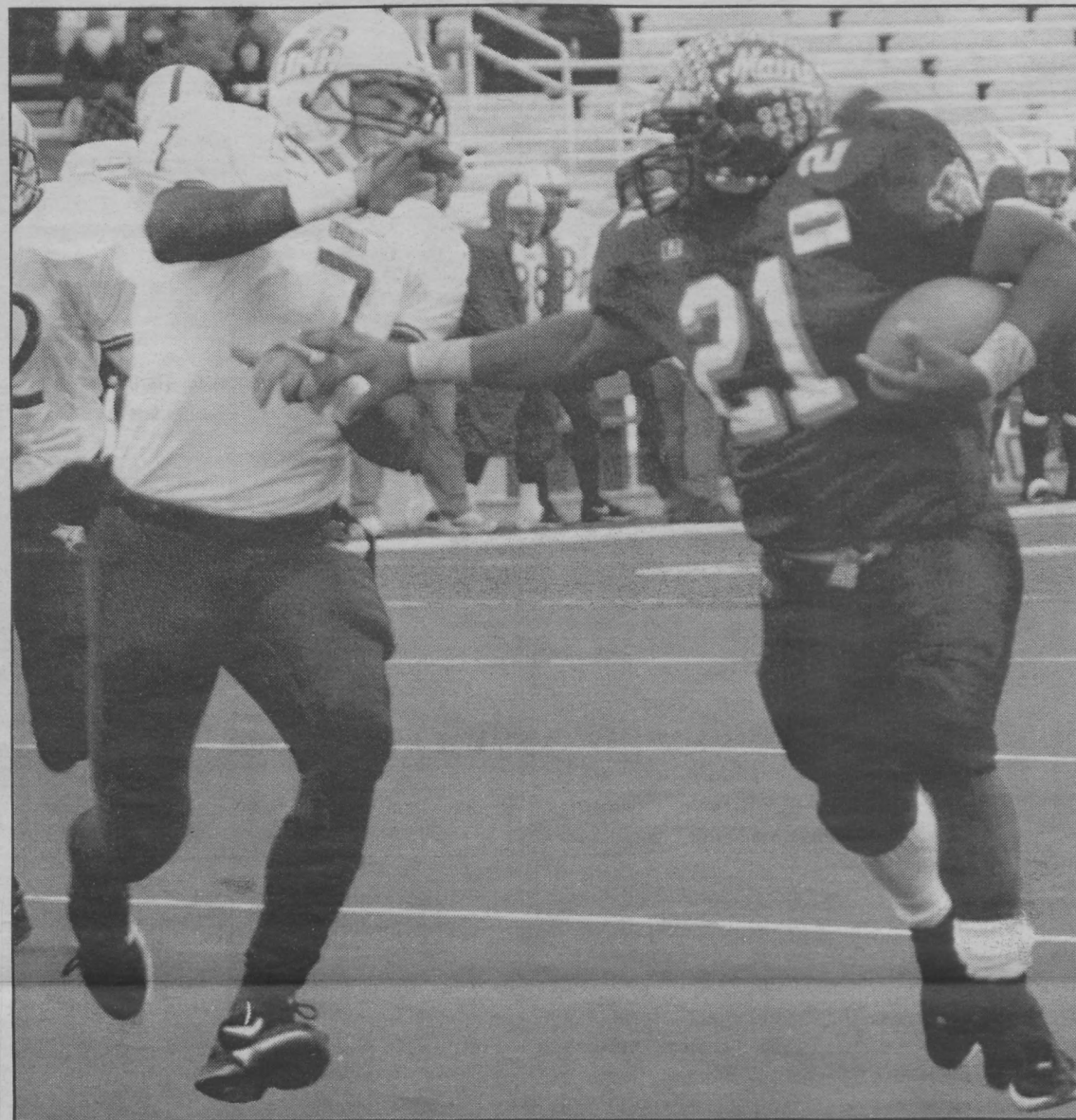
All the excitement placed men's hoop on the backburner. Again. It can be argued that the men's program consistently plays fourth or fifth fiddle to hockey, the women's team, football and baseball. And for various reasons. History, tradition, Walsh, winning and Blodgett. What a shame.

Maine is first and foremost a basketball state. It is not Indiana, but basketball rules the high

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## Black Bears have UNH's number

Football clinches tie for Atlantic-10 Championship with win



CAMPUS PHOTO • JULIE ALTENHOFF

Black Bears sophomore running back Marcus Williams stiff-arms a University of New Hampshire defender in Saturday's 31-14 UMaine win. The victory gave the Black Bears a share of the Atlantic-10 Conference title for the second consecutive year.

By Ryan Waning  
Staff Reporter

John Meczywor, starting in place of injured quarterback Jake Eaton, threw two touchdown passes to Danny Fusco to lead the University of Maine Black Bears to a 31-14 victory over rival University of New Hampshire, successfully defending the Brice-Cowell musket Saturday afternoon at Morse field.

"We got enough offense to do the job," UMaine head coach Jack Cosgrove said. "This [Meczywor] is a tough kid that got no reps, and all of a sudden he's the guy."

The Wildcats controlled the game's tempo into the second quarter mostly without Stephan Lewis, who was a non-factor, carrying the ball 20 times for 33 yards.

UNH quarterback Mike Granieri capped a 13-play, 91-yard drive with a 32 yard touchdown pass to Michael Taylor, giving the Wildcats a 7-0 lead.

After a 33 yard field goal from Mike Mellow made it 7-3, UNH's Danny Fusco hauled in his first touch down pass from nine yards out giving the Black Bears the lead, 10-7.

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## Kariya's OT goal propels men's hockey to 2-1 win over Wildcats

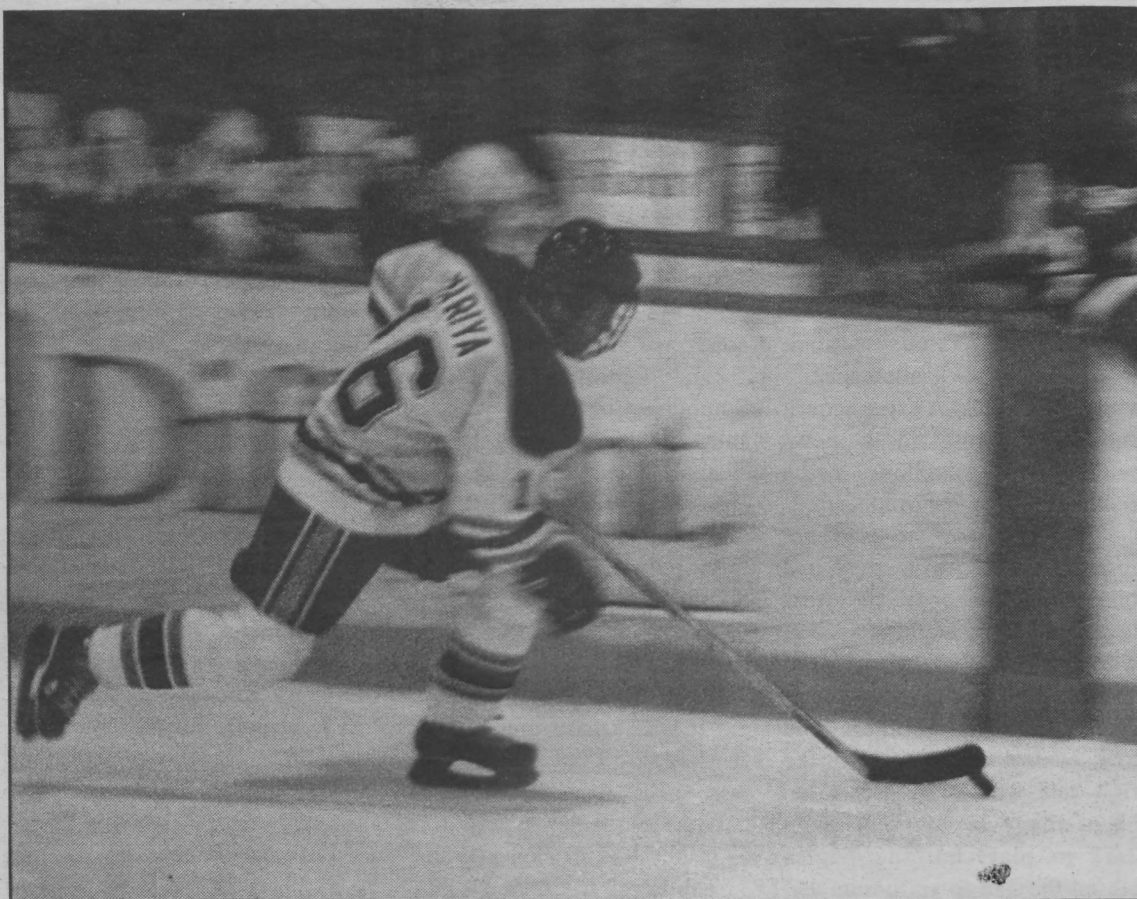
By Jeff Mannix  
Staff Reporter

Students began lining up three hours early outside of Alford Arena to see the University of Maine take on rival University of New Hampshire Friday night. Arena staff opened the doors 15 minutes early when the line of students reached all the way to College Avenue.

The sellout crowd wasn't disappointed either, as the Black Bears narrowly defeated UNH 2-1 in overtime.

The Wildcats outplayed UMaine for the first 40 minutes but were unable to pull even with UMaine until the third period, sending the game into overtime. Senior assistant captain Martin Kariya sent the Blackout Weekend crowd home happy with his overtime goal.

Special teams proved a major difference in the game. The Black Bears came into Friday night with a 90.3 penalty kill percentage. They improved their kill percent-



CAMPUS PHOTO • ANNA-MARIA EASLEY

University of Maine senior forward Martin Kariya races up the ice against the boards in the Black Bears' 2-1 overtime win over University of New Hampshire. Kariya scored the game-winner 29 seconds into the extra session to give UMaine the win.

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